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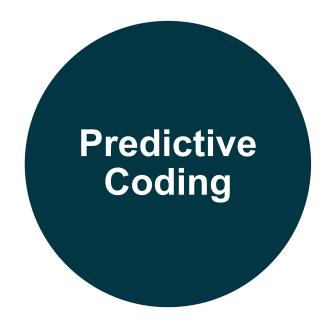
The Al Seat on the Governing Board

How Influential Should it be in the Decision-Making Process

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What is Al?









Al and Board Decisions

A few questions:

- How does AI influence a Board's decision when the Board needs to make decisions about the company's health?
- To what extend should a Board rely on AI?
- Should outside AI consultants be hired to advice?
- Should business decisions be made exclusively based on AI input?



Al Transforming Our Practice

Overview

- Early Origins Simple Technology
- Carbon, Electric, Computers, Word Processing, E-mails, WEB
- Hand Held Devices (Pager, Palm Pilot, iPhone)





The next frontier for AI in the legal industry -> Legal Analysis

Research providers like Westlaw will review and cite check documents.

These are still incredibly crude and early development, but may improve over time.

However, these new tools will not be able to create new creative strategies. As such AI is useful to augment and improve our work – even if it will not completely replace it anytime soon.



Al and our Fiduciary Duties in the Boardroom and the C-Suite

Duty of Care

Duty of Loyalty

Duty of Disclosure

Duty of Good Faith and Fair Dealing

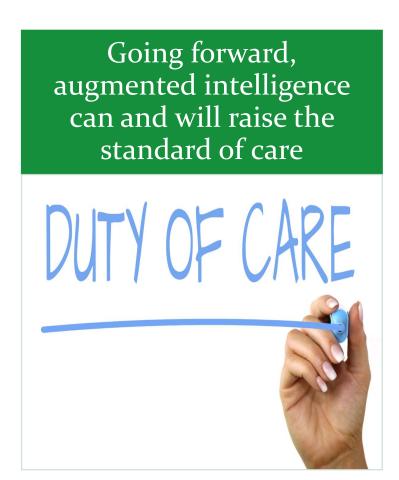




Duty of Care

Above all, the Business
Judgment Rule insulates
from scrutiny of these
actions

 Which means human creativity, and a businessman's insight on how to best grow the company should control



Implementing AI in ways to more successfully grow the company

 This will vary business by business and industry by industry depending on the company's specific challenges



Duty of Loyalty



Avoiding conflicts of interest

Not stealing corporate opportunities for oneself

People are often board members not only for one, but many companies

Juggling new opportunities and staying loyal to all companies can be a challenge

Utilizing new AI's to navigate these muddy waters will become vital in the future

Law firms use software to help track and anticipate conflicts with their clients



Duty of Disclosure

Often this is highly related to the duty of loyalty and care

Communication is key. Disclose any conflicts of interest between the individual and the corporation.

Candor in Boardroom discussions is also essential to meet the duty of care. Leaders cannot make the right decisions if they do not have all the facts in front of them.

Utilize AI to streamline the process

Duty of Good Faith and Fair Dealing

No amount of AI will replace your common sense and your moral compass



Questions?





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