

Michelle Johnson

Executive Director

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Overview

Michelle Johnson is the Executive Director of Hopkins & Carley. She leads the firm's operations, including finance, human resources, information technology, marketing, and business development. She also serves on the firm's Executive Committee.

Michelle brings a unique perspective to her position, having been a practicing attorney for a number of years. She had an active corporate and securities practice for more than 15 years, focusing primarily on public company representation. In addition to her experience as an executive director, she has held a broad range of law firm leadership positions, including practice group and office managing partner, and executive, compensation and management/policy committee member.

Prior to joining Hopkins & Carley, Michelle was a Senior Counsel and integration project leader with Arnold & Porter LLP, which combined with Howard Rice Nemerovski Canady Falk & Rabkin, P.C., a San Francisco law firm, in 2012. Michelle was CEO and a shareholder of Howard Rice, and quarterbacked the Howard Rice team that negotiated the firm's combination with Arnold & Porter.

Before joining Howard Rice in 2005, Michelle was with Thelen Reid & Priest LLP, a national AmLaw 100 firm, for almost 20 years, and was the firm's Executive Director from 2001-2005. She joined Thelen as an associate in 1986 and became a partner in 1992.

Bar Admissions

- State Bar of California (1986)

Education

- J.D., University of Denver, Sturm College of Law, Order of St. Ives
- B.S., Business Administration, Haas School of Business, University of California, Berkeley

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