

MICHELLE BANKS

Michelle Banks is Chair of the Board of Directors of Minority Corporate Counsel Association, a nonprofit advancing diversity and inclusion in corporations and their law firms. She also Co-Chairs UCLA Law Women LEAD, an initiative she co-founded at her alma mater to empower and advance women students and alumnae.

Until March 2016, Michelle was Executive Vice President, Global General Counsel, Corporate Secretary and Chief Compliance Officer of global apparel retailer Gap Inc. (Gap, Banana Republic, Old Navy, Athleta and Intermix). She reported to the Chief Executive Officer and was a member of his senior leadership team. During her tenure at Gap Inc., Michelle led the Company's global equity, foundation, franchise services, governance, government affairs & public policy, integrity, legal, privacy and sustainability functions. During 2015, in addition to her role as an EVP at Gap Inc., Michelle was the Senior Executive leading the Alliance for Bangladesh Worker Safety, a one of a kind consortium of 26 primarily North American retailers that Gap Inc. co-founded in 2013 to improve supply chain safety.

Before joining Gap Inc. in 1999, Michelle worked as Legal Counsel for the Golden State Warriors NBA team, and in Tokyo, Japan, as American Counsel for Itochu Corporation. Her prior law firm practice with Sheppard Mullin and Morrison & Foerster in California and New York focused on corporate finance and international commercial transactions.

Michelle has been recognized as a Most Influential Woman in Bay Area Business and Corporate Counsel Diversity Champion by the *San Francisco Business Times*, a Most Powerful and Influential Woman by California Diversity Council, a Woman of Achievement by Legal Momentum, a Legend in Law by the Burton Foundation, a Top General Counsel to Watch by *Corporate Board Member*, a Distinguished General Counsel by the Directors Roundtable, and a Corporate Counsel Innovator by the *Financial Times*. Santa Clara University Law School presented her with their Social Justice and Human Rights award in 2014 and UCLA Law School named her 2016 Alumni of the Year for Professional Achievement.

Michelle graduated from University of California, Los Angeles, with degrees in Law and Economics.