

Introduction to the 2026 Edition

This edition contains revised and updated material for several chapters, including:

- Chapter 1 – Introduction and Overview
- Chapter 3 – Consulting Agreements Clause Collection, including a new section addressing **Defend Trade Secrets Act**
- Chapter 4 – Environmental Consultants, including a new section addressing **Inclusion of fee as damage under statute**
- Chapter 8 – Corporate Counsel’s Guide to Independent Contractors, including a new section heading addressing **Federal agency rules** and a new appendix from the Internal Revenue Service regarding **Independent Contractor (Self-Employed) or Employee**
- Chapter 12 – Restrictions against Competition by Consultants
- Chapter 13 – Consultant Malpractice

We have also added four new sample forms to our existing collection.

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