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Chris Boyd is the Chief Operating Officer of Coblentz. Chris leads all business and administrative operations of the firm, including finance and accounting, business development and marketing, professional development, human resources, recruiting, innovation, pricing, project management, technology and information systems, and facilities.

Prior to joining Coblentz, Chris was the Chief Operating Officer of Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati, where he oversaw the teams responsible for attorney recruiting, diversity and inclusion, human resources, knowledge management, marketing and business development, practice management, professional development, research services, and work allocation programs. He also focused on aligning these functions to effectively support the firm's overall business strategy, as well as the objectives of its departments and practice groups.

Earlier in his career, Chris was a corporate and securities associate at Wilson Sonsini, representing technology and life sciences companies in initial public offerings, venture financings, and mergers and acquisitions. He left private practice in 1997 to lead knowledge management initiatives at several companies, returning to Wilson Sonsini in 2001.

Chris is a member of the Boards of Directors of 10,000 Degrees and the College of Law Practice Management (COLPM), and a member of the West Region Advisory Board of the Network for Teaching Entrepreneurship (NFTE). He previously served as Board President of COLPM and of the Meritus College Fund, and is a former board member of the International Legal Technology Association (ILTA) and Professional Development Consortium (PDC).

Chris earned his J.D. from Stanford Law School in 1992. He received his A.B. from Princeton University in 1987.

Honors & Awards

Chris received Legalweek's Legal Leaders in Tech Law "Lifetime Achievement" award in 2023. He was recognized as the International Legal Technology Association's "Knowledge Management Professional of the Year" in 2016.

Publications & Speaking Engagements

- Chris is a frequent speaker and author on law firm management, technology, knowledge management, and talent strategy. His engagements and publications include presentations at the National Association for Law Placement (NALP) Annual Education Conference, ILTACON, and the Ark Law Firm Innovation Summit, as well as contributions to books and professional journals addressing law firm profitability, professional development, innovation, and the evolving legal workforce.

Education

- J.D., Stanford Law School (1992)
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