Emergency Response Team

Overview

Steptoe & Johnson's Emergency Response Team is ready to assist you the moment an emergency strikes. We understand that arriving on-scene quickly is paramount to disaster management. Our goal is to be by your side within hours – not just the next business day.

Our Team also has experience in formulating prospective emergency response plans to help clients prepare for emergencies before they arise. We study any current plan and its implementation and help tailor a plan to address specific needs and regional anomalies.

We are prepared to assemble the legal Emergency Response Team most appropriate to your locations and needs. Our Team members include attorneys with SafeLandUSA certifications, litigators, and specialists in labor and employment law, regulatory law, white-collar crime, energy law, and government relations to provide both regional and multi-disciplinary legal coverage tailored to you.

Immediate and Long-Term Value

Having Steptoe & Johnson as an integral part of your emergency response plan will protect you, not only during an emergency, but also for your long-term preparedness.

During an emergency, our Team leaders can facilitate responses to requests from governmental authorities, accident victims and their families, the press, and the general public.

Following a crisis, they can help ensure your company maintains a reputation for prompt response and appropriate action.

Because our Team includes litigators, they understand that the details of an incident will be subject to intense scrutiny in any resulting trial. With that perspective, your Steptoe & Johnson Team members will help to balance the need to disclose information with litigation issues, helping to minimize potential damage should a trial occur.

We're Available When an Emergency Strikes

We will work with you and your internal Emergency Response Team to build the best Steptoe & Johnson legal team for you. You will be provided with contact information that allows 24-hour access to your legal team members if and when an emergency strikes.



In the short term, this facilitation can help ensure your company's reputation for prompt response and appropriate action.

In the long run, because many of our team members are litigators, they understand that when you go to trial, the details of the incident (emergency) that brought you to the courthouse will be subjected to intense scrutiny. With that perspective in mind, your Steptoe & Johnson team will help you fully meet your disclosure requirements with the greatest possible sensitivity to potential litigation issues. Members' involvement will help balance your disclosure needs with litigation issues to help minimize the potential damage should litigation or administrative proceedings arise in the future.

Capabilities

- Assist with the management of witnesses and the collection and preservation of evidence and electronically stored data
- Prepare emergency response plans
- Public relations
- Pre-suit investigations
- OSHA responses
- Regulatory responses
- Provide on-site scene management
- Develop communications and public relations strategies
- Conduct internal investigations
- Identify and retain subject matter experts to assist in root cause analysis
- Provide advice in matters implicating the need for white-collar defense, including whistleblower complaints and allegations of employee misconduct
- Prepare emergency response plans
- Conduct table-top exercises
- Handle data security incident investigations and responses, including data breach



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