



## Corporate Counsel: Novartis' Preferred Outside Counsel Prepared for Diversity Staffing Requirements

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O'Melveny's Director of Diversity and Engagement Mary Ellen Connerty was quoted in this *Corporate Counsel* article discussing Novartis AG's preferred law firms panel and its staffing requirements. Novartis AG aims to help create a more diverse legal profession by setting strict guidelines for its legal providers, the article reported. "Clients like Novartis play a powerful role in driving law firms to become more diverse and inclusive. Like Novartis, we know that diverse and inclusive teams do the best work for our clients and are essential to our firm's future," Connerty told *Corporate Counsel*. As the article noted, O'Melveny uses artificial intelligence tools to help eliminate any implicit bias in its recruiting and hiring process and boost diversity.