



## **Adams and Reese LLP**

Locations: Louisiana (HQ)

Industries: Legal



## **DESCRIPTION:**

Adams and Reese LLP is Lower Risk. The company does not yield to political activism in shaping corporate governance, preventing initiatives that potentially alienate consumers, divide employees, and harm shareholders. The company elevates merit, excellence, and integrity ahead of race and identity-based policies. Adams and Reese LLP does not embrace corporate initiatives that redirect its central focus from business goals to partisan policies and divisive issues. This approach protects free exercise, free speech, and free enterprise.

## **Corporate Weaponization**

Has canceled customers, suppliers, or vendors due to their political views or religious beliefs OR Lower Risk corporately boycotts, divests, or sanctions regions, people groups, or industries.

Adams and Reese has not publicly canceled customers, suppliers, or vendors based on political views or religious beliefs (1).

Charitable giving (including employee matching programs) policies or practices discriminate against charitable organizations based on views or religious beliefs.

**Lower Risk** 

Adams and Reese does not publish charitable giving guidelines (1).

Employment policies fail to protect against viewpoint or other discrimination and/or are ideological in nature.

**High Risk** 

Adams and Reese is Mansfield Certified, indicating its support of DEI in its recruitment, hiring, promotions, and leadership composition (1)(2). Adams and Reese received a letter from the American Alliance for Equal Rights (AAFER), demanding its diversity fellowship stop using race as a determining factor of who qualifies for the program. AAFER did not file a lawsuit because the firm made "substantial changes" to its fellowship. The firm only allowed law students who are "members of racial and ethnic minority groups and other disadvantaged groups" into its Adams and Reese 1L Minority Fellowship. However, Adams and Reese removed this language from the application. The firm sent a letter to AAFER promising to not proceed with its Adams and Reese 1L Minority Fellowship starting in 2024 (3)(4). Adams and Reese does not provide viewpoint protections for its employees (5).

## Corporate Governance and Public Policy



Uses corporate reputation to support causes, organizations, or policies hostile to freedom of expression.

**Lower Risk** 

Adams and Reese has not supported ideological causes or policies (1).

Uses corporate funds to advance ideological causes, organizations, or policies hostile to freedom Medium Risk of expression.

Adams and Reese is a member of the MCCA, indicating its focus on recruiting, retaining, and promoting employees based on race (1)(2). Otherwise, there are no publicly known cases of Adams and Reese using corporate funds to advance ideological causes, organizations, or policies (3).

Uses corporate political actions and/or financial contributions for ideological, non-business Lower Risk purposes.

Adams and Reese has not used its PAC donations for ideological purposes and does not engage in lobbying at this time (1)(2)(3).

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