

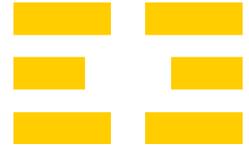


Sterne Kessler Goldstein & Fox

Locations: Washington, D.C. (HQ)

Industries: Commercial and Professional Services

RISK LEVEL:



Medium Risk

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DESCRIPTION:

Sterne Kessler Goldstein & Fox PLLC is Medium Risk. The company often yields to political activism in shaping corporate governance, potentially alienating consumers, dividing employees, and harming shareholders. The company implements race and identity-based policies that replace merit, excellence, and integrity with preferential treatment and outcomes. Sterne Kessler Goldstein & Fox occasionally embraces corporate initiatives that redirect its central focus from business goals to partisan policies and divisive issues at times. This approach fails to safeguard free exercise, free speech, and free enterprise.

Corporate Weaponization

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

Sterne Kessler Goldstein & Fox received a score of 65 on the 2025 Corporate Equality Index (CEI) from the Human Rights Campaign (HRC), a political stakeholder group. The company recruits employees based on sexual identity issues. The company discriminates against vendors that do not promote divisive sex and gender policies, indicating it prioritizes sexual issues over merit (1)(2). However, Sterne Kessler has not publicly canceled customers, suppliers, or vendors based on political views or religious beliefs (3).

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

Sterne Kessler does not appear to discriminate against charitable organizations based on views or beliefs (1).

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

Sterne Kessler requires employees to take diversity and inclusion training. It also offers unconscious bias training to employees (1). Sterne Kessler was Mansfield Certified, indicating its support of DEI in its recruitment, hiring, promotions, and leadership composition (2)(3). The company does not publish a nondiscrimination policy (4).

Corporate Governance and Public Policy

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

Sterne Kessler supports DEI within its business practices, employing a DEI Committee (1). The company uses its blog to publish articles on systemic racism and unconscious bias (2)(3). Otherwise, there are no publicly known cases of Sterne Kessler using its reputation to advance ideological causes or policies (4).

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

Sterne Kessler Goldstein & Fox's HRC 2025 CEI rating indicates the company covers transgender related costs for its employees and their children, including paid short-term leave, puberty blockers, cross-sex hormones, chest surgeries, genital surgeries, medical visits and lab monitoring, travel and lodging. By allowing a political stakeholder group to dictate operations, the company increases health care costs and risks dividing employees, alienating customers and harming shareholders (1)(2). Otherwise, Sterne Kessler has not used corporate funds to advance ideological causes, organizations, or policies (3).

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

Sterne Kessler does not operate a PAC or engage in lobbying at this time (1)(2)(3).

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