



# FRITZ BACKUS

Partner

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Fritz Backus is a seasoned life sciences attorney with over 25 years of legal and business experience in the industry. Fritz represents both public and private biotech and pharmaceutical clients, as well as medical device companies, handling a range of commercial transactions, including licensing agreements, CRO and CMO agreements, clinical trial agreements, MTAs, CDAs, collaborative research consortia agreements, research and development agreements, consulting agreements, sales and evaluation agreements, HIPAA BAAs, business operating agreements (real estate, software licensing, temporary personnel, etc.), vendor contracts and general corporate matters.

Fritz's clients at Outside GC include [Voyager Therapeutics](#), [Oxford Immunotec](#), [UST Global](#) and [Mevion Medical Systems](#).

Before joining Outside GC, Fritz served as Chief Legal Counsel for Siemens Healthcare Diagnostic, Siemens' largest healthcare business unit with over €2B in worldwide revenue and 9,000 employees. As a member of the senior management team, Fritz advised on key strategic and organizational matters, and collaborated across functions to implement successful solutions. Fritz designed and implemented various policies and programs for Siemens, successfully translating complex legal matters and policy directives into well documented, comprehensible and actionable plans. He also negotiated and drafted a wide variety of commercial contracts and oversaw FDA registrations, CE marking, advertising, sales, biologics, licensing, IP and other issues for the company.

## EDUCATION

Harvard Law School, J.D.  
Teagle Foundation Scholar  
University of Chicago, B.A.

## SECTORS AND SERVICES

[Regulatory Compliance & Training](#)  
[Life Sciences](#)

## CREDENTIALS

### Bar Admissions

Massachusetts

Prior to Siemens, Fritz was General Counsel and Chief Compliance Officer for Diagnostics Products Corporation (DPC), a NYSE listed, global manufacturer of IVD medical devices with more than \$500M in annual revenue. As the first General Counsel (and in-house lawyer) for DPC, Fritz oversaw all legal matters for the company and designed and implemented a compliance program, as well as other policies and procedures. In 2007, Fritz successfully managed the legal aspects of DPC's sale to Siemens.

Fritz began his legal career as an associate at the law firm Baker Botts LLP, and also served as an associate attorney in the Boston offices of Goodwin Procter, LLP and Seyfarth Shaw. Fritz earned his law degree at Harvard Law School, where he was a Teagle Foundation Scholar. Fritz is also a graduate of the University of Chicago.

When not working, Fritz collects modern first edition books and enjoys gardening and cooking.