

McGuireWoods Sponsors CEO Talent Summit, Partner John Thompson Speaks on D&I Panel

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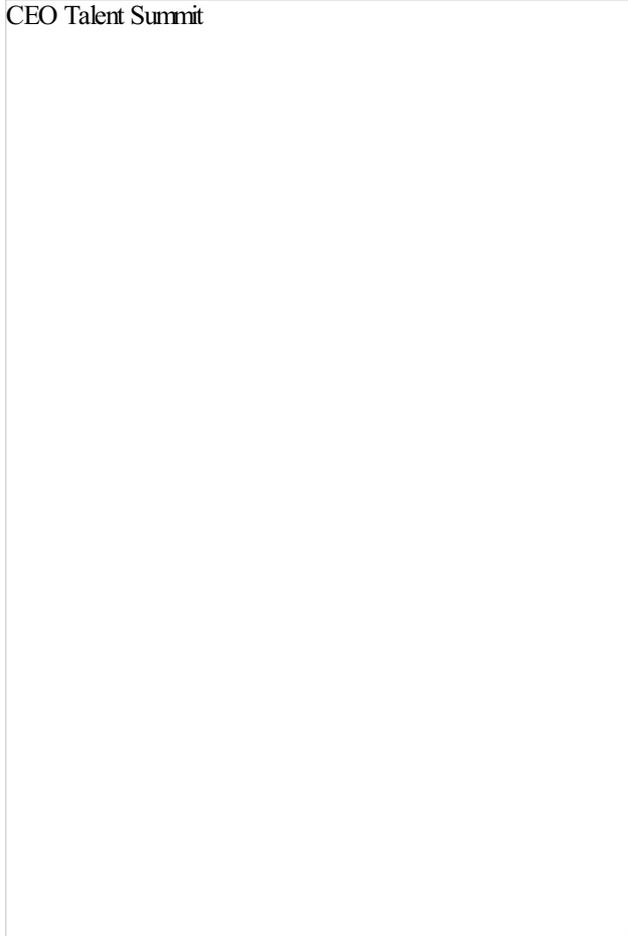


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McGuireWoods recently sponsored the 2019 CEO Talent Summit, a two-day event held at West Point in New York that attracted about 100 c-level executives from across the country.

On Sept. 24, 2019, Washington, D.C., partner [John Thompson](#) spoke at the summit on a panel titled “Beyond Diversity: The Business Case for Inclusive Leadership,” which explored “how leaders can unleash the power of inclusion to the benefit of the entire organization.” Topics discussed included how to dispel myths and misconceptions around diversity and inclusion; how to overcome barriers obstructing widespread opportunity and involvement; and how to infuse inclusion into an organization.

The CEO Talent Summit, co-hosted by *Chief Executive* magazine and Thayer Leader Development Group, brings together top business and military leaders to “share secrets for recruiting extraordinary people and building high-revving cultures that win.”

Before earning his law degree, Thompson served as a captain and helicopter pilot in the U.S. Army. During his service, he commanded a company of 275 soldiers stationed at Fort Eustis, Virginia, and led an air cavalry platoon of the 24th Infantry Division based in Fort Stewart, Georgia.

Thompson chairs McGuireWoods’ [Veteran Lawyers Network](#), which endeavors to strengthen pro bono efforts to assist military veterans.

Click to read [Corporate Counsel Business Journal](#) Q&A discussions with John Thompson and with McGuireWoods chairman [Jon Harmon](#), a graduate of the U.S. Military Academy at West Point.

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