



Denelle J. Waynick JohnsonExecutive Vice President

General Counsel

Denelle rejoined UCB in April 2023 and leads UCB's Global Legal Affairs team. She is an accomplished legal executive with over 30 years of experience, 20 of which are in the healthcare sector. At UCB she is responsible for the group's legal, intellectual property and ethics & compliance patient value functions.

Having previously worked at UCB for several years, Denelle was widely recognized not only for her legal expertise, but for her dedication to our company's culture and collective sense of purpose. She is also fully dedicated to creating value, impact and care for our patients and communities.

Before taking on her current role, Denelle served as Chief Legal Officer for Saniona, a Danish and US based clinical stage company focused on rare diseases. Prior to Saniona, Denelle served as General Counsel & Corporate Secretary of MyoKardia, leading the company's acquisition by Bristol Myers Squibb. In both these roles, she led the worldwide legal and compliance functions and served on their respective executive committees.

She received her Juris Doctor degree from Howard University School of Law (Washington, DC), and holds a Bachelor's degree in Accounting from Rutgers University (New Jersey).

She is a member of UCB's Executive Committee.

Key positions

Prior to UCB, Denelle held the following positions:
2021 – 2022 Saniona, Chief Legal Officer
2020 – 2021 MyoKardia, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary
2014 – 2020 UCB, Various senior positions including Vice President, Legal Affairs (US), US General Counsel & Global Enterprise Risk Management, VP Legal Affairs (Ex-Americas)
2008 – 2014 Actavis, Inc. (formely Watson Pharmaceuticals, Inc.), Vice President, Legal Affairs, Global Brands
2003 – 2008 Schering-Plough, Legal Director
2008 – 2008 Chief of Staff/Office of NJ Attorney General, State of New Jersey
1997 – 2003 Gibbons P.C., Partner