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Smithline PC Open Source Resources (2018)

Advice   We advise clients on all aspects of using, releasing and contributing to open source projects, with a special emphasis on incorporation of open source into proprietary software and SaaS services.

Briefers   Practical, business-focused briefers on the following topics:

- [ ] No. 1 Guidelines for Using Open Source Software for Developers of Proprietary Software
- [ ] No. 2 Guidelines for Using GPL and LGPL Code in the Development of Proprietary Software
- [ ] No. 3 Risks to Proprietary Developers under Version 3 of the GNU General Public License
- [ ] No. 4 Guidelines for Creating an Open Source Policy for Developers of Proprietary Software
- [ ] No. 5 Summary of GPLv3 Patent Provisions
- [ ] No. 6 Open Source Attribution
- [ ] No. 7 Contributing to an Open Source Project
- [ ] No. 8 Creating an Open Source Project

License Matrix   Summarizes use and distribution rules for over 100 leading licenses.

Policy Creation   Step-by-step guide with pre-drafted usage charts and other options to help you create the right open source usage policy for your company.

Training   A series of three on-demand video or live presentations for technical, business and legal staff. We can customize live presentations to your specific needs and interests based on questions we circulate in advance.

- [ ] **1. Understanding Open Source** (30 min.) - Use of open source software is ubiquitous, yet how the licenses work and the consequences of non-compliance are not widely understood. In this first Episode in our Open Source Series, we introduce open source licenses, divide them into easily understood categories, teach you how to provide attribution and explain the importance of compliance.

- [ ] 2. **Creating an Open Source Policy** (1 hour) - In this second Episode in our Open Source Series, we teach you how to create and implement an open source policy. This program takes the perspective of counsel to a proprietary technology company, but should be useful to anyone trying to understand the legal implications of using and distributing open source software.

- [ ] 3. **Contributing to and Releasing Open Source** (30 min.) - In this third Episode in our Open Source Series, we identify the IP and legal risks of contributing or releasing open source and provide a three-question framework to help you evaluate contribution and release requests from your team.