

## Rick Runkel

### General Counsel



Rick Runkel joined Synopsys as General Counsel in May 2014. In this role, he manages and oversees all legal matters and corporate affairs for Synopsys and serves as Corporate Secretary.

From October 2008 to March 2013, Mr. Runkel served as Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary of Affymetrix, a leading developer of genomic analysis tools. Mr. Runkel served as Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary of Intuitive Surgical, Inc., a provider of minimally-invasive robotic surgery technology, from 2006 to 2007. From 2004 to 2005, Mr. Runkel served as Senior Vice President of Business Development and General Counsel of VISX Incorporated, a provider of laser vision correction technology, and as Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary from 2001 to 2004. Prior to that, Mr. Runkel was a partner at the law firm of Sheppard, Mullin, Richter & Hampton LLP for eleven years, where he specialized in complex commercial litigation and served as managing partner of the firm's San Francisco office.

Mr. Runkel holds a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science and a Juris Doctorate from the University of California, Los Angeles.