



Bud Culp

General Counsel

Bud Culp serves as General Counsel and a member of the board of directors for Front Burner. He also serves in the same capacity for Front Burner's restaurant brand under management, The Melting Pot Restaurants, Inc., the franchisor of The Melting Pot. Reporting to the Chief Executive Officer and a member of the executive leadership team, Culp is responsible for providing strategic advice and oversight on all legal matters, including corporate compliance, commercial contracts, franchise relations, mergers and acquisitions, real estate, and litigation management.

Front Burner is a franchise management company headquartered in Tampa, Florida. It is affiliated with dynamic and niche-specific brands including The Melting Pot, the premier fondue restaurant franchise with 120 restaurants in the United States, Canada and Mexico, as well as new concepts under development.

Prior to joining Front Burner in 2014, Culp was the Chairman of the Franchise & Distribution Practice Group for the Denver law firm, Moye White LLP, served as Vice President & Assistant General Counsel for Quiznos, and was a commercial litigator for more than two decades with an extensive record of successful verdicts and settlements including those involving the National Football League, AT&T Corp. and a first-degree murder case broadcast on Court TV.

An honors graduate of Harvard Law School, in 2017 Culp was named Top Corporate Counsel in Tampa Bay by the Tampa Bay Business Journal.