

Supply Chain Disruptions and the Future of the Logistics Industry

Join us on September 16, 2021, at 5:30 p.m. EST

Chambliss and the [Association for Corporate Growth \(ACG\) of Tennessee](#) will host a networking and logistics panel discussion on Thursday, September 16 at 5:30 p.m. EST.

The logistics industry has seen significant disruption over the past 18 months. As we look to the future in a post-pandemic marketplace, developments in technology and sustainability will help shape the industry and provide significant opportunities for companies that are able to adapt quickly to this changing environment. Please join us for a discussion among industry experts as they address the future of the industry and what they see as the keys to success in this new environment.

Event Agenda

Registration and Networking: 5:30 p.m.

Program Begins: 6:15 p.m.

Networking Follows

Hors d'oeuvres will be catered by [Culinary Creations and Chef Lee Cureton](#). A variety of non-alcoholic and alcoholic beverages will be served including a signature cocktail prepared by our friends at [Chattanooga Whiskey](#).

Event Details

Date: September 16, 2021

Time: 5:30 p.m. EST

Location: Chattanooga Whiskey Event Hall (890 Riverfront Pkwy, Chattanooga, TN 37402)

****Free parking available at the Chattanooga Whiskey Event Hall.****

Hosted by Chambliss and ACG Tennessee

ACG Tennessee is the TN chapter of the Association of Corporate Growth (ACG), which is the global community for middle market M&A and business leaders focused on driving growth. With 59 chapters worldwide, ACG's global network comprises more than 100,000 middle market professionals who invest, own and advise growing companies. For further information regarding ACG and ACG Tennessee, click [here](#).

Registration is required to attend this event. Please register via the button below no later than September 10.

[Register](#)

Presenters



[Justin Furrow](#), Moderator
Chambliss Law | *Chair, Labor and Employment*

Justin chairs the Chambliss [Labor and Employment](#) section, and co-chairs the Chambliss COVID-19 Task Force and the [Transportation and Logistics](#) practice. He provides top-notch counsel and complex employment litigation representation to national and regional corporations, family-owned businesses, emerging companies, and other entities. Justin has successfully defended and assisted clients in major employment law matters in state and federal courts across the country, and before administrative agencies such as the EEOC and DOL. Clients often turn to Justin for counsel on discrimination, retaliation, and harassment issues, employee leave questions, whistleblower protections, reasonable accommodation, noncompetition and nonsolicitation agreements, and shareholder agreements and disputes, among other matters.



Matt McLelland, Panelist
Covenant Logistics | *VP of Sustainability and Innovation*

For the first 15 years of his professional career, Matt has been solely focused on technology — from large Silicon Valley software companies to startups to a brief stint with a family foundation, coming to work every day not to make money, but rather give it away. In early 2000, he entered the logistics and supply chain world, primarily in technology, but constantly sidetracked by new solutions for trucking, warehousing, and anything that would make his industry more efficient. Then in mid-2015, his employer opened one of the supply chain industry's first "Innovation Labs," a loosely structured group with the single purpose of research testing early-stage technologies. Matt and his team spent time looking at everything from inventory counting drone aircraft to highly automated warehouse solutions to processes that could be significantly enhanced using virtual reality.

Matt tried to leave the logistics industry in early 2018, but was given a unique opportunity to join Covenant Logistics, a premium service provider of transportation and warehousing services. In his role as VP of Sustainability and Innovation, he works directly with senior leadership to research future trends in the logistics industry and evaluate their applicability to Covenant's strategy of providing more affordable, safer, and cleaner delivery of products. Lately, he has been spending most of his time looking at corporate social responsibility (CSR) and environmental, social and (corporate) governance (ESG) as many supply chain companies are looking for ways to reduce their carbon footprints using everything from alternative fuels like battery electric and hydrogen to autonomous vehicles to optimization software.



Jason Provonsha, Panelist
Steam Logistics | CEO

Jason Provonsha is the CEO of Steam Logistics, a technology-enabled third-party logistics business based in Chattanooga, TN, and with additional offices in Birmingham and Minneapolis. Founded originally in 2012 as a sister company to Access America Transport, Steam became independent in 2014 after the merger of Access America and Coyote Logistics. Since then, Steam has scaled quickly and been named to the Inc. 5000 list of America's Fastest Growing Companies each of the last five years, along with its annual list of Best Workplaces.

At Steam, Provonsha primarily focuses on growth, company vision and culture, and talent acquisition. Prior to Steam, Provonsha previously held executive positions at both Access America and Coyote.