

# A \$16 Billion Firm? It's Coming if Kirkland Repeats Its Decade

"It's always a big day when Kirkland & Ellis' year-end financial results are unveiled. There was even an extra little buzz this year after the Financial Times reported in January that the firm may be the first to crack \$5 billion in revenue," opines Roy Strom in *Bloomberg Law's Business & Practice*.

"The semi-official results came in last week, and the firm's top line didn't quite reach \$5 billion. Still, Kirkland did have another blowout year: revenue up 16% to \$4.8 billion, and profits per equity partner up nearly 20% to nearly \$6.2 million, The American Lawyer reported."

"Here's why Kirkland is on my mind today: In a year of financial returns that look like historical anomalies, the firm's performance didn't really stretch the imagination. It has been putting up eye-popping numbers for a while now."

*Read the opinion.*