ABA Journal Names a New Wave of Legal Rebels

The ABA Journal's eighth year of naming the profession's legal rebels came up with a list that represents all parts of the profession: "From a law firm managing partner who overhauled her firm's customer service process to a law professor who took a bad experience with a traffic ticket and turned it into an online adjudication project. Not surprising: A computer scientist helps develop the biggest artificial-intelligence effort in law. Surprising: A staff attorney for a state public defender's office is also a data scientist."

One of the rebels is Jimoh Ovbiagele, with Ross Intelligence, a digital legal assistance program that's partially funded by an independent subsidiary of the legal giant Dentons. The system is licensed to such firms as Baker & Hostetler, Latham & Watkins and Wisconsin's von Briesen & Roper.

Another is Google's Mary Shen O'Carroll, who updated the company's legal department to include such innovations as Google's Outside Counsel Dashboard, which allows Google lawyers to see real-time information relating to their outside counsel spending, and includes an e-billing system.

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