

# Big Bank's General Counsel Fired Over 'Personal Matter'

Cincinnati-based Fifth Third Bancorp has reportedly fired its general counsel, Heather Russell Koenig, over what the bank called "a personal matter," reports the *Cincinnati Business Courier*. She was the bank's chief legal officer and corporate secretary.

In a statement, the bank said: "A personal matter has been brought to our attention that Fifth Third believes represents a conflict of interest. To resolve this, we have determined that the best course of action was a separation. Heather is a very qualified lawyer, and this matter had nothing to do with any of the legal work done by Heather during her tenure at Fifth Third."

She previously worked at Bank of New York Mellon, Bank of America and Skadden, Arps in its Washington and London offices, reports **Erin Caproni**.

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