

Big Law Leaders Back Alvin Bragg in Manhattan DA Race

“Campaign finance records show several Big Law leaders are backing Alvin Bragg, a former federal prosecutor and deputy New York attorney general, in Tuesday’s election for Manhattan’s next district attorney, a race that could reshape criminal justice in the largest U.S. city. Kim Koopersmith, chair of Akin Gump Strauss Hauer Feld, donated to Bragg in May, a June campaign finance disclosure shows. Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison chair Brad Karp donated \$1,000 to Bragg’s campaign in May,” reports Caroline Spiezio in Reuters.

“The lawyers did not immediately provide comment. A spokesperson for Bragg said the candidate has the most stringent self-restrictions on lawyers contributions of any candidate in the race, barring donations from any attorney who had a case appear before the DA’s office over the last four years and limiting contributions from active New York City lawyers “to under 10% of what is allowed by law.”

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