

# Biglaw Partner Suspended After Accusing Small-Firm Litigator of Using Pregnancy to Delay Trial

Shook, Hardy & Bacon has suspended a Miami lawyer after he objected when a pregnant opposing lawyer sought a continuance because her due date coincided with a trial date, reports the *ABA Journal*.

According to a statement provided by the law firm's administrative managing partner, Paul Reid has been suspended pending further review by firm management.

Christen Luikart of Murphy Anderson in Jacksonville, Florida, is the opposing lawyer who sought the delay.

Reid argued his client had been injured five years ago and "parental leave is not a compelling circumstance justifying the severe prejudice" that will be caused by delaying the trial." The court overruled his objection.

**Read the *ABA Journal* article.**