

Biglaw Partners On The Hot Seat: Firms Are Demoting Partners Hand Over Fist

News

Perhaps this marks the first, furtive steps into a new Biglaw model, writes Above the Law's Joe Patrice, where the 8-year track gives way to a more corporate structure

Thomson Reuters Practical Law Launches New Podcast: 'Down the Hall with Practical Law'

Insight

Thomson Reuters Practical Law today launched a new podcast called "Down the Hall with Practical Law."

**Godwin Bowman & Martinez
Names Bruce W. Bowman Jr.
President, Managing**

Shareholder

News

Board certified commercial litigation attorney Bruce W. Bowman Jr. has been named president and managing shareholder of the Dallas-based trial and appellate law firm Godwin Bowman & Martinez PC, effective Oct. 1, 2016.

Which Firms Give In-House Counsel Nightmares?

News

BTI Consulting Group has published the results of its 2017 “Fearsome Foursome” survey, in which 300 general counsel named which law firms they would least like to see as opposing counsel.

Bloomberg Law Slates Big Law Business Summit – West

Event, Oct. 27, 1:30-6 p.m. PDT

Big Law, chief legal officers, outside counsel, and those serving legal departments around the world are invited to discuss challenges and share ideas about the legal industry at Bloomberg Law’s Big Law Business Summit – West.

Texas-Sized Business: Critics, Lawyers Discuss Controversy Behind Personal-Injury Attorneys

News

Jim Adler, who bills himself as the “Texas Hammer,” Adler can be seen in TV spots standing on semitrucks telling viewers he “will hammer the big trucking companies down to size.”

Dollars and Sense: A Real-Time Look at the Financial Performance of the Legal Industry in 2016

Event, Sept. 21, 1 p.m. EDT

Practical Law and competitive intelligence platform Peer Monitor will present a free webinar titled “Dollars and Sense: A Real-Time Look at the Financial Performance of the Legal Industry in 2016.”

Mike Lynch's Invoke Capital Aims to Replace M&A Lawyers With Robots

News

Venture firm Invoke Capital is betting that a startup using artificial intelligence to “think like a lawyer” can automate due diligence in mergers and acquisitions and replace the armies of lawyers needed to close billion-dollar deals, reports Bloomberg Law.

What Are the Signs Your Law Firm Needs Process Improvement?

Insight

In a white paper, consultant George Dunn discusses the signs that a law firm needs process improvement in maintaining good relationships with clients.

Akerman Announces Chairman

and CEO Succession Plan

News

David I. Spector has been elected to become the new chairman and CEO of Akerman LLP. He will succeed Andrew M. Smulian.

Download: 2016 Law Firm Benchmarking Report

Insight

Exterro is offering for free downloading a benchmarking report discussing why changing legal business circumstances will force firms to find ways to increase productivity or risk revenue loss.

Litigation Finance: Driving Law Firm Profitability

Event, Sept. 21, 4:30 p.m.

Bloomberg BNA and Bentham IMF will hold an executive briefing and reception that explores how firms are integrating financing into their litigation practices.

Quarles & Brady Ranked in *American Lawyer* National Report

News

The national law firm of Quarles & Brady LLP announced that *American Lawyer* has included the firm in this year's rankings of the National Report.

ABA Journal Names a New Wave of Legal Rebels

News

The *ABA Journal*'s eighth year of naming the profession's legal rebels listed a wide variety of legal profession innovators.

Headhunter Scorned: Inside a Failed Law Firm Placement

News

A Texas-based legal recruiter is seeking up to \$1 million in damages from a Holland & Knight partner, saying the lawyer broke his promise and used another headhunter to place him at the firm after the recruiter discussed the opportunity with him.

Law Firms Offer Unlimited Vacation, Paid 'Global Experience' to Lure Recruits

News

Some big law firms are offering benefit packages that include flexible schedules, child care and elderly care assistance, student loan assistance programs, paid parental leave, unlimited paid vacation, private banking, subsidized gym membership and career and family coaching services, reports Bloomberg Law.

Higher Fees Increase Law Firm Revenue by 4.1 Percent

News

An increase in revenue for law firms in the first half of this year came largely from higher lawyer billing rates rather than greater demand for services, *The New York Times* reports, citing Citi Private Bank's quarterly report on the legal industry.

Gardere Earns Highest Firm Score on Austin Law Firm Diversity Report Card

News

Gardere Wynne Sewell LLP has received the highest composite score of all reporting firms in the 2015 Law Firm Diversity Report Card.

Texas Trial Law Firm Rebranded

News

Texas trial lawyer Donald E. Godwin has announced that Bruce W. Bowman Jr. and Jenny L. Martinez have become name shareholders in the newly rebranded trial law firm, Godwin Bowman & Martinez, which has offices in Dallas and Houston.

Lowenstein Sandler Named a 50 Best Law Firm for Women for Fifth Time

News

Lowenstein Sandler has been recognized for a fifth year by

Working Mother and Flex-Time Lawyers as one of 50 Best Law Firms for Women as a leader in the industry for its best practices in retaining and promoting women lawyers.