He Made His Way to the Top of Biglaw. Then His Drinking Almost Brought Him Down

CNN tells **the story** of Steven Wall, managing partner of internationally renowned law firm Morgan Lewis, who almost saw his career and his marriage destroyed by his alcoholism.

His drinking started in high school and continued into his work life as a lawyer, including one time with a boozy business lunch that resulted in a blackout. CNN's **Jeanne Sahadi** tells how Wall largely gave up drinking for several years, but then the cravings became too strong for him to resist.

"Wall attributes his alcoholism to three factors: his heredity, his personality and how he handled the enormous stress of his job," Sahadi writes. "He said he often felt the need 'to turn off my brain and to release the intensity and the pressure of what we do.'"

Read the CNN article.