

# Super Lawyer Boies Entangled in Intrigue Over Weinstein; *Times* Fires His Firm

☒ The sexual-assault scandal that brought Harvey Weinstein's career to an abrupt halt and started a national conversation about the treatment of women has led to scrutiny of tactics used by his former attorney, David Boies, one of America's most-famous litigators, according to **Bloomberg Big Law Business**.

Boies hired private detectives who sought to identify accusers and undermine news coverage of their claims. Reporter **Erik Larson** writes that a primary target was the *New York Times*, which published an article in which the Hollywood producer was accused of raping an actress. At the same time, Boies' firm, Boies Schiller Flexner LLP, was representing the *Times* in various legal matters, raising concerns about conflict of interest.

The newspaper fired the firm, and Boies admitted that he participated in the hiring of private investigators who targeted the *Times'* reporters.

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