To Help Bridge Gender Gap, Women Lawyers Should Get Comfy with Self-Promotion

Insight

A report by the Dallas Women Lawyers Association outlines the challenges women lawyers face, including pay gaps, disparity in equity partnerships, high attrition, bias in work assignments and origination credit, and underrepresentation on committees.

Law Firm Partners' Battle: 'Burn the Place to the Ground'

News

The scorched earth legal battle over the Cellino & Barnes law firm has escalated, with one of the partners threatening to "burn the place to the ground," according to court papers.

Biglaw Firm Conducting

Layoffs Among Partners, Counsel

News

Husch Blackwell has announced the firm is conducting layoffs among partners and counsel, but no associates will be impacted by the cuts.

Biglaw Firm Throws Partner Under the Bus After Fox News Appearance

News

Newsweek reports that Colwin apologized on Twitter, saying she hadn’t meant to “trivialize or minimize the impact of sexual harassment on any victims.

Law Firms Jacking Up Rates, Demand Flat, Citi Survey Finds

News

The Citi survey of 183 law firms found that revenue growth fell to 3.6 percent through the first three quarters, down

from 3.7 percent at this time last year, Bloomberg reports.

Dallas-Based Locke Lord Fined for Ethics Violations, “Acting Without Integrity”

News

Dallas-based law firm Locke Lord has received the largest fine ever levied by the profession’s U.K. regulatory body, the Solicitors Disciplinary Tribunal, reports *The Global Legal Post*.

Foley Looks to Texas, Mexico Markets with Gardere Merger Talks

News

it seems Foley might be very interested in moving into the hopping Texas and Mexico markets, both areas where the 19-office Foley has no presence today,” according to Above the Law.

Yes, Overtime Laws Apply To Law Firms

News

A pair of lawsuits allege two Florida law firms failed to pay administrative workers proper overtime wages in compliance with the Fair Labor Standard Act, reports Above the Law.

BigLaw is Doomed If Clients Refuse to Pay for Associates

News

Some general counsel are starting to push back against big law firms charging $400 an hour for the work of associates, writes Joe Patrice for Above the Law.

Biglaw Firm Announces Hundreds Of Buyouts And Layoffs, Almost 500 Affected

News

Above the Law reports that Hogan Lovells recently decided to offer “voluntary retirement” packages to about 400 of its senior business support staff members in the U.S.

2017 Litigation Finance Survey Shows Continued Growth

Insight

Global finance firm Burford Capital announced the results of its 2017 Litigation Finance Survey of lawyers and financial professionals at law firms and companies in the US, UK and Australia. The independent research builds on prior surveys commissioned by Burford to study third-party funding of commercial litigation and arbitration.

Which Biglaw Firms Are Doing Right By Their Staff?

News

Above the Law follows up on an earlier report on the disparity of benefits offered to staff members of big law firms, compared to those offered to lawyers, this time with a focus on family leave.

Examine Trends in Spin-Off

Activity

Event, Oct. 10, 2017

Bloomberg BNA will host an event in San Francisco dedicated to understanding, preparing for, and benefiting from spin-offs.

Some Houston Big Law Firms Spared Worst of Harvey's Damage

News

While Big Law firms with Houston offices are still in recovery mode from Hurricane Harvey, many firms with downtown offices were spared the worst of the record-breaking storm's damage, reports Bloomberg Law.

Just Released: 2017 Law Firm Benchmarking Report

Insight

The Exterro benchmarking report discusses how a small subset of innovative law firms are beating their competition by redefining their legal processes to increase client satisfaction and revenue.

Law Firm Boots Partner Who Owned Neo-Nazi Record Label

News

Aaron Davis, a partner in the Minneapolis law firm Patterson Thuente, was placed on leave after the firm learned that Davis owned a neo-Nazi record label.

Rule #1 for Dealing with the Media: Assume You’re On the Record

Insight

Amy Boardman Hunt of Muse Communications offers a reminder about the First Rule of Dealing with the Media: Assume you are on the record.

Biglaw Leaders Denounce Trump’s Rhetoric On

Charlottesville

News

Several large law firms have spoken out against President Trump’s remarks following the Charlottesville violence, reports Above the Law.

Amplification Works for Women Lawyers Beyond Meetings

Insight

Amy Boardman Hunt of Muse Communications discusses the practice of amplification: when a woman makes a key point, other women repeat it, giving credit to its author.

A Step Backwards for Financial Transparency in BigLaw

News

David Lat of Above the Law writes about a BigLaw firm’s move back from providing financial transparency.