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Wake Up Call: Report Alleges 'Sexual Inappropriateness' at Jones Day Office

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- Jones Day's 190-lawyer London office suffers an "endemic culture of sexual inappropriateness" and has a structure that makes it difficult to raise complaints, according to Legal Week's six-month investigation of allegations of harassment and bullying. The report cites interviews with 10 men and women who used to work at the firm. It also cites people at the firm as disagreeing with the allegations. (*American Lawyer*)
- DLA Piper suspended female partner Vanina Guerrero, whose accusations that a senior male colleague sexually assaulted her led to his ouster. The firm said it had received complaints about Guerrero, but her lawyer called the move "retaliation." (BN via BLAW)

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with fall-out from its sham account scheme and other scandals. The San Francisco-based bank took a \$1.6 billion accounting charge for litigation tied to scandals in its retail bank, according to an earnings statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. (BN via BLAW)

- The bank, whose new CEO is due to arrive
 Oct. 21, has reached financial settlements
 with state attorneys general over its fake
 accounts scandal, but remains under
 investigation by the SEC, the Department of
 Justice, and the Labor Department. (*The*Recorder)
- Lowenstein Sandler hired former Lehman
 Brothers top lawyer Steven S. Rogers, who
 was most recently chief legal officer of Aceto
 Corporation, a Lowenstein client that makes
 and markets health products,
 pharmaceutical ingredients, and
 performance chemicals and earlier this year
 filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection.
 Rogers, who joined Lowenstein as a partner
 in its transactions & advisory group, was
 earlier in-house at UBS, and spent seven
 years at Kelley Drye & Warren.
 (Lowenstein.com)
- Politico has a comprehensive profile of one of the White House's longest serving lawyers, John Eisenberg, a former Kirkland & Ellis partner who's now top legal adviser to the National Security Council. Eisenberg has a reputation for carefulness, secrecy, and integrity, but some worry he's being set up

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- In 2009 during the great recession, Barnes & Thornburg opened offices in Delaware, Georgia, Minnesota, and Ohio. Now, it's celebrating the collective success of the branches, which have seen different rates of growth. (*American Lawyer*)
- Bryan Cave Leighton Paisner hired legal industry veteran Gillian Ward as its global chief marketing officer. She arrives most recently from Baker Botts. Her new firm said the hire is its latest move to fully integrate the two sides of its April 2018 transatlantic merger, with the aim of making it one firm. (American Lawyer)
- Milwaukee's city attorney hired New York firm Napoli Shkolnik to represent the city in litigation against drug companies, manufacturers, doctors, and others, to recover costs of battling the state's opioid crisis. The firm agreed to represent Milwaukee for a contingency fee of 25% and cost reimbursement. (Wisconsin Public Radio)

Deals

 Lincolnshire Management, Inc., advised by Kirkland & Ellis said it invested in Powerhouse, a Willkie Farr & Gallagher client that provides facilities maintenance services, and two related outsourced business services companies. The deal, for which no terms were disclosed, is aimed at creating a

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services. (PE HubNetwork)

- French biopharmaceutical group Ipsen announced an up to \$535 million deal in which, through its Montreal-based subsidiary Clementia Pharmaceuticals, it entered an exclusive license agreement with Massachusetts-based Blueprint Medicines Corporation. The agreement is for the development and commercialization of BLU-782, an experimental treatment of an ultrarare bone disease, fibrodysplasia ossificans progressiva. Blueprint Medicines was advised by Goodwin Procter. (*Ipsen.com*)
- DLA Piper represented real estate mogul and Treasure Island owner Phil Ruffin in his \$825 million acquisition of MGM Resorts International's Circus Circus resort in Las Vegas. (BN)
- Shearman & Sterling advised French
 financial groups Société Générale and Crédit
 Agricole Corporate and Investment Bank,
 and U.K. bank group HSBC, which acted as
 mandated lead arrangers to a company
 affiliated with Apollo Global Management,
 Inc., acquiring 31 hypermarket and
 supermarket properties. The transaction
 values the properties at 465 million euros
 (\$515 million). (Shearman.com) Allen &
 Overy also advised on the transaction.
 (Fiscalonline.com)

Laterals, Moves, In-house, Promotions

 Squire Patton Boggs added international dispute resolution partner John Branson in

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associates: Kristina Moore, who arrives from Jones Day, and Maleeha Khan, who was recently a legal trainee at Shearman & Sterling. (SquirePattonBoggs.com)

- Hinshaw & Culbertson said commercial transactions lawyer *Mark A. Carter* joined the firm as a partner in Chicago. He was previously at Lawrence Kamin, LLC. (*Hinshawlaw.com*)
- Carlton Fields said litigator Katelyn M.
 Sandoval joined its New York office as an associate in its securities and derivative litigation practice. She was recently a federal court law clerk in Arizona.
 (CarltonFields.com)

Legal Education

 Manhattan-based New York Law School has partnered with the Interfaith Center of New York for a program aimed at teaching law students and attorneys about religion and how it may come up in legal cases. (*New* York Law Journal)

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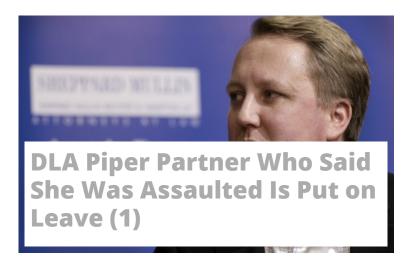




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