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AWARDS & HONORS

Twenty-one LCLD Member firms were recognized with the **2021 National Law Review Thought Leadership Awards** for exceptionally innovative contributions published by their attorneys over the last year. *The National Law Review*

- **Bradley Arant Boult Cummings LLP**
- **Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough LLP**
- **Vedder Price P.C.**
- **Squire Patton Boggs**
- **Sheppard Mullin Richter & Hampton LLP**
- **Polsinelli PC**
- **K&L Gates LLP**
- **McDermott Will & Emery LLP**
- **Dinsmore & Shohl LLP**
- **Beveridge & Diamond PC**
- **Schiff Hardin LLP**
- **Mintz Levin**
- **Bracewell LLP**
- **Wiggin & Dana LLP**
- **Greenberg Traurig, LLP**
- **Hunton Andrews Kurth LLP**
- **Goulston & Storrs PC**
- **Finnegan, Henderson, Farabow, Garrett & Dunner, LLP**
- **Jones Walker LLP**
- **Katten Muchin Rosenman LLP**
- **Foley & Lardner LLP**

Dinsmore & Shohl LLP was named **‘Best in Class’ for diversity** in the legal profession by the Greater Cleveland Partnership. *Crain’s Cleveland*

Attorneys at **DLA Piper** and **Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer LLP** were among the recipients of the 2022 New Years Honours for their roles in **promoting socio-economic diversity and mobility** in the UK. *UK Legal Week*

NEWS

Arnold & Porter’s plan to achieve equity for Black lawyers and professionals by 2025—which includes “Black representation at every level, employee compensation, and racially just business practices,” among other goals—has been certified by nonprofit organization Management Leadership for Tomorrow (MLT). *The National Law Journal*



Wiggin & Dana LLP announced **the creation of a Chief DEI Officer position** to support the “firm’s commitment to embedding DEI principals and making greater tangible progress across the firm and in the legal profession.” *General Counsel News*

Nixon Peabody LLP is elevating its DE&I director, LCLD Diversity Professional **Rekha Chiruvolu**, to **Chief Diversity Officer** as the firm expands its DE&I programming. *The American Lawyer*

For the first time in the firms’ histories, **Sidley Austin LLP** and **Step toe & Johnson** have **elected women as executive committee chairs**. *Bloomberg Law*

Half of **Sidley Austin LLP’s** 10 **office managers are now women**. *The American Lawyer*

Women make up 44 percent of **this year’s partner class** at **Hogan Lovells LLP**; 11 percent are racially or ethnically diverse, and 5 percent identify as LGBTQ+. *The National Law Journal*

Haynes and Boone LLP’s new partner class is “**significantly more diverse**” than the class of 2021, with nine women and eight racially or ethnically diverse attorneys out of 13. *Texas Lawyer*

A **\$1 million donation** from **Vinson & Elkins LLP** will help support free mentorship, LSAT prep, and fellowships for prospective Texas law students from underrepresented backgrounds. *Bloomberg Law*

A new office managing partner at **Shook, Hardy & Bacon LLP** plans to “position the Houston office as **a laboratory for diversity and inclusion initiatives** within the workplace, in the community, and in hiring.” *Texas Lawyer*

At *Columbus CEO* magazine’s quarterly Diverse Leaders in Law forum, women attorneys at **Barnes & Thornburg LLP** and **Frost Brown Todd LLC** gathered for a conversation on **how best to advance women in the legal profession**. *Columbus CEO*



More than 80 major companies, including **16 LCLD Members**, have partnered with **Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison LLP** to create **an amicus brief backing the adoption of the Equal Rights Amendment**. *Corporate Counsel*

- **Airbnb, Inc.**
- **Apple Inc.**
- **Deloitte LLP**
- **Dow Inc.**
- **Gilead Sciences, Inc.**
- **Google LLC**
- **Guardian Life Insurance Company of America**
- **IBM**
- **Mastercard**
- **Microsoft**
- **New York Life Insurance Company**
- **PepsiCo, Inc.**
- **Pfizer, Inc.**
- **Prudential Financial, Inc.**
- **Uber Technologies, Inc.**
- **Workday, Inc.**

Eversheds Sutherland has joined the growing movement of large law firms allowing **billable hour credit for DE&I-related work** over the past two years, a list which also includes **16+** LCLD Member firms. *Daily Report*

- **Baker, Donelson, Bearman, Caldwell & Berkowitz PC**
- **Baker McKenzie LLP**
- **Cooley LLP**
- **Davis Wright Tremaine LLP**
- **Dorsey & Whitney LLP**
- **Fox Rothschild LLP**
- **Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher LLP**
- **Greenberg Traurig, LLP**
- **Hanson Bridgett LLP**
- **Hogan Lovells LLP**
- **K&L Gates LLP**
- **Locke Lord LLP**
- **Morrison & Foerster LLP**
- **Reed Smith LLP**
- **Ropes & Gray LLP**