

RHODE ISLAND WOMEN'S BAR ASSOCIATION **JUNE 2021 NEWSLETTER**



UPCOMING EVENTS:

ABA Grit Group, June (Virtual)

The ABA is organizing a 21 day “Grit and Growth Mindset Challenge.” Follow the RIWBA social media to see our suggestions on overcoming challenges, Grit and Growth mindset ideas and set collaborative goals. For more information on the challenge, check out the ABA [page](#).

RIWBA Presents: Repairing the Breach: Why Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Matters to Lawyers in Rhode Island, June 10th from 4:30pm- 6:00pm (Zoom)

RIWBA will be offering a discussion on why diversity, equity and inclusion should matter to the Rhode Island legal community. Our panelists, Kara DiPaola (Sr. Legal Counsel, Office of the Treasurer, State of Rhode Island), Angela Bannerman Ankoma (Vice President, Executive Director of Equity Leadership at the Rhode Island Foundation) and Ralph Tavares (Director of Diversity and Outreach at Roger Williams University School of Law) will provide insightful and practical commentary. Please RSVP to kkincaid@apslaw.com for this event. This program has been approved for 1.5 CLE ethics credit.

RIWBA Annual Dinner - Thursday, June 24th, at 7:00 p.m.

We are celebrating another RIWBA membership year! Join us for this virtual event where we'll talk about this past membership year, look ahead to the next one, and vote on our incoming Board member slate. We are also offering a free wine tasting at this event. Please RSVP to kkincaid@apslaw.com by June 10th if you would like to participate in the wine tasting. Even if wine tasting is not your thing, please join us to celebrate this past RIWBA year.

RIWBA Mindfulness Series with Tenth Gate Yoga, Fridays 12:30-1:30pm, ongoing. There's always more to learn about stress management. Contact [Mary Cavanaugh Dunn](#) to join!

MEMBERSHIP HIGHLIGHTS:

Rita Nerney joined Hinckley Allen as a Litigation Associate. Congrats on the new role!

Kelsey Peck is now an Associate at Adler Cohen Harvey Wakeman & Guekguezian, LLP. Best of luck in your new position!

Congrats to **Lindsay Lieberman** on the publication of her [article](#) on Coercive Control in Law 360.

RI Bar Association Virtual Annual Meeting: June 23-24

Featuring our own members and other supporters of the RIWBA: Hon. O. Rogeriee Thompson, Nicole Benjamin, Laura Montecalvo, Deborah Gonzalez, Hon. Susan Pepin-Fay, Lisa Kresge, and Cassandra Feeney.

Want to brag on one of your fellow members? Including yourself? Email Jessica Rider at jrider@riag.ri.gov so that we can include those accomplishments in a future edition!

ARTICLES AND RESOURCES OF INTEREST:

Give Yourself A Break. The [power](#) of self-compassion. (*Harvard Business News*)

101 Ways to Have Fun This Summer. Making up for lost time by checking [these](#) off one by one. (*Conde Nast Traveler*)

Zoom Again? Women Suffer From Higher Rates of [Zoom Fatigue](#). (*CBS News*)

The Missing Crypto Queen. For those interested in cryptocurrency, this [podcast](#) series is fascinating. (*BBC*)

Our Brain Typically Overlooks This Brilliant Problem Solving Strategy. Why do people tend to choose additive [solutions](#) rather than taking things away? (*Scientific American*)

What is Neurodiversity and Why Does it Matter? [Embracing](#) different ways of thinking benefits all. (*Shondaland*).

When Your Business is 100 Years Older Than You. [Lessons](#) from taking over a family business in Chinatown. (The Cut)

Have a valuable article or resource for our membership? Email Leigh Furtado at LFurtado@heklawllp.com to add it to next month's edition!



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES:

Attorney, Law Office of Joseph M. DiOrio, Inc. (<https://dioriolaw.com/>), a boutique Rhode Island creditors' rights firm, is seeking an attorney with a minimum of 2-5 years experience with commercial litigation and/or commercial transactions. The candidate must be licensed to practice law in Rhode Island. Admission to the Massachusetts bar is not required but preferred. Salary is commensurate with experience. For more information on this opportunity, please contact **Joseph DiOrio** at jmdiorio@dioriolaw.com

Business Transactions Associate, Robinson+Cole, an Am Law 200 Firm, seeks an attorney to join its Business Transactions practice group in its New York, NY, Stamford, CT, Hartford, CT, Boston, MA, or Providence, RI office. Robinson+Cole's Business Transactions practice group represents clients in a broad range of corporate, strategic, financial, and commercial transactions and matters, including mergers and acquisitions; venture capital debt and equity financings; joint ventures; corporate governance; and significant commercial agreements. Qualified candidates will have three to five years of experience drafting and negotiating transaction documents relating to mergers and acquisitions, private equity and venture capital transactions, and general corporate matters. Experience with securities law and capital markets transactions would be helpful, but not required. Candidates should work well as part of a team and enjoy a fast-paced work environment. Admission to the bar in which the attorney is resident is required. Top academic and transactional credentials, excellent writing, research, negotiation, and communication skills also required. [Click here to apply](#), interested

candidates should submit a cover letter, resume, and transcript to Lisa Vooyo, Legal Recruiting Manager.

Are you hiring? Know someone looking for a top-notch applicant for an open position? Email Leigh Furtado at leigh.furtado@heklawllp.com to add an opportunity to our employment section!

MONTHLY MEMBER SPOTLIGHT:

Instead of highlighting one member this month, we are giving thanks for all our members and your participation over this crazy past year! We hope you will renew your membership [here](#) and join us for next year's events.

NEXT MONTH'S ISSUE:

Have something you would like to see in the next newsletter? Let us know by **June 30th** to include it in the latest edition. And as always, thanks for reading!

Leigh Furtado, Jenna Giguere, Jessica Rider, Stephanie Simon & Sam Vasques

RIWBA Newsletter Committee

