

Partner Talk #3: Building the Bifröst: **New DEI Content Strategies for Pitches and Proposals**

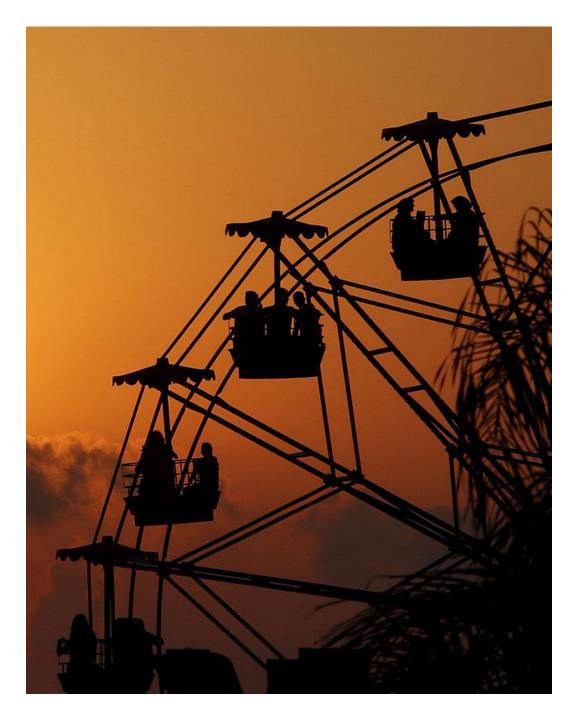


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Agenda

Amid the legal profession's push for greater diversity, equity, and inclusion ("DE&I")— and whether in both anticipation of or response to client demand, leading firms are incorporating compelling DE&I-focused content into their business development processes. This presentation offers a compelling real-world case study on how to differentiate your pitches and proposals through valuable and relevant data points. Participants will discover innovative strategies and best practices for winning work and creating dashboards that show firmwide progress on key DE&I objectives

- The story of DE&I in pitches and proposals
- A strategy for positioning your firm
- What really matters…
- Where does the data come from?



DE&I Qualifies and Differentiates

Current Situation

Clients are requiring firms to structure their teams in a manner that is respectful and considers diversification an important quality of a successful team. These requirements place the responsibility of team diversity on the firm and impacts a prospects decision making process. In addition, there is a significant rise in ad-hoc requests from clients that are outside the business development workflow



DE&I Qualifies and Differentiates

The Impact

Firms are struggling to collect the data and quickly respond to these requests. Firms are required to propose teams that meet the diversity requirements of their clients and collecting this information in a timely manner is often difficult and always out of date



Strategies for presenting your firm

How to approach presenting your firms DE&I facts

What is your strategy for presenting DE&I in pitches and proposals?



Speak to your reality

Format must reflect your true reality... honesty is key



Speak to your strengths

We're strong at recruiting... professional development... we have a strategy



Speak to your commitment

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What is being requested? Is it just pitches and proposals?

- •Counts and Percentages (Gender, Diversity, Sexual Orientation, Veterans)
- Committee Leadership Roles
- Opportunities for promotion and advancement
- Percentage of women considered for promotions
- What is your committee participation

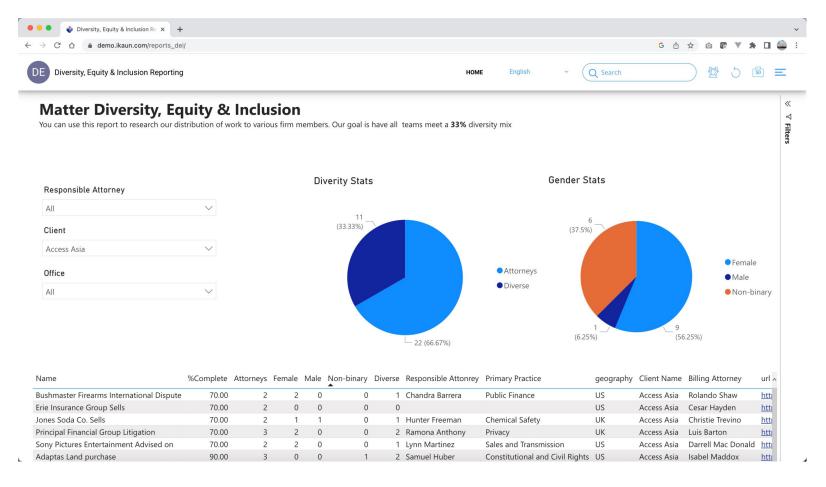


Where do you get this data?

- •HRIS System?
- •Excel?
- •Email?



DE&I Reporting based on experience data

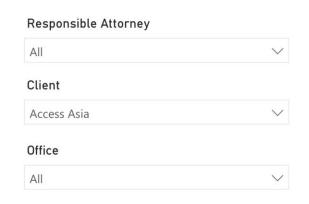


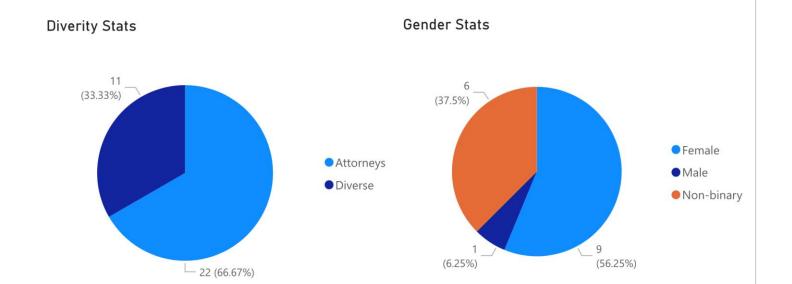




Matter Diversity, Equity & Inclusion

You can use this report to research our distribution of work to various firm members. Our goal is have all teams meet a 33% diversity mix





Name	%Complete	Attorneys	Female	Male	Non-binary	Diverse	Responsible Attonrey	Primary Practice	geography	Client Name	Billing Attorney	url ^
Bushmaster Firearms International Dispute	70.00	2	2	0	0	1	Chandra Barrera	Public Finance	US	Access Asia	Rolando Shaw	<u>htt</u>
Erie Insurance Group Sells	70.00	2	0	0	0	0			US	Access Asia	Cesar Hayden	<u>htt</u>
Jones Soda Co. Sells	70.00	2	1	1	0	1	Hunter Freeman	Chemical Safety	UK	Access Asia	Christie Trevino	<u>htt</u>
Principal Financial Group Litigation	70.00	3	2	0	0	2	Ramona Anthony	Privacy	UK	Access Asia	Luis Barton	<u>htt</u>
Sony Pictures Entertainment Advised on	70.00	2	2	0	0	1	Lynn Martinez	Sales and Transmission	US	Access Asia	Darrell Mac Donald	<u>htt</u>
Adaptas Land purchase	90.00	3	0	0	1	2	Samuel Huber	Constitutional and Civil Rights	US	Access Asia	Isabel Maddox	<u>htt</u>
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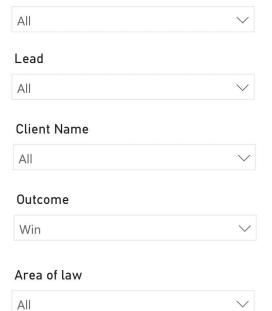


DE Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Reporting

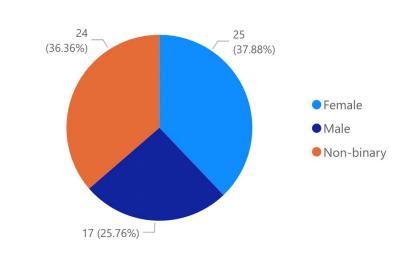
Pitch - Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

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Lead Attorney

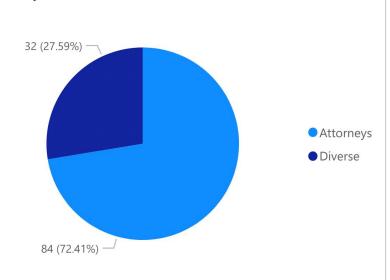






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Name	Client	Area of Law	Geo Lead	Lead Attorney	Outcor	me Url ^
Jimmy John's - Proposal	Textron Inc.	Individual	UK Betty Cline	Betty Cline	Win	https://demo.ikaun.com/-/profile
Fisery - Proposal	Rent-A-Wreck	Privacy	US Yesenia Bray	Yesenia Bray	Win	https://demo.ikaun.com/-/profile
Circuit Design - Proposal	Rent-A-Wreck	Probate	US Yesenia Bray	Yesenia Bray	Win	https://demo.ikaun.com/-/profile
O'Reilly - Proposal	Rent-A-Wreck	Probate	US Yesenia Bray	Yesenia Bray	Win	https://demo.ikaun.com/-/profile
Netaid - Proposal	Rent-A-Wreck	Probate	US Yesenia Brav	Yesenia Brav	Win	https://demo.ikaun.com/-/profile

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- Be ready with the most commonly requested stats... but these seem to change daily[©]

