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PROGRAMS COMMITTEE NEWS

"There is no school, no therapy session, no amount of money that will earn you the wisdom and strength conferred by an epic-fail mistake." - Rachel Simmons

Almost everyone is afraid of making mistakes in their career and the inspirational Book Review Discussion: Mistakes I Made at Work: 25 Influential Woman Reflect on What They Got Out of Getting it Wrong, held on October 23, addressed this very relevant issue. Panelists talked about the book and then joined in round table discussions. The event was held at Winston & Strawn LLP in San Francisco, and it was great to see so many new faces. Many thanks go out to Rhett Currier, Beth Roemer and Kate Wheble for participating in the panel.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE NEWS

As the saying goes, "the more, the merrier," and the WIPLA will be a lot merrier in the new year with 13 new student members! The student outreach events were a great success, with panelists commenting on why they chose IP law as a profession, challenges they have faced as a female in this field, takeaways from women in IP organizations, such as WIPLA, and advice for current law students.

Some of the concerns that the law students had were how to balance a career in IP law and family and how to address sexism in the workplace. Thank you Myrna Schelling, Felissa Cagan, Gabriella Ziccarelli and Eileen Fitzimmons for participating in the Santa Clara panel. Thank you Katie Scott, Laura Franco and Kate Wheble for participating in the Hastings panel. Thank you Antoinette Konski, Myrna Schelling, Victoria Maroulis and Lindsay White for participating in the Stanford panel. I was very lucky to sit on the panel at Stanford with five amazing women who really opened up to the students about their experiences. I can't wait to get to know some of the other members at the Holiday Party next week. We hope to see you all there for some well deserved holiday cocktails!

OTHER COMMITTEE NEWS

Anyone interested in becoming a member of the Sponsorship Committee or the Communications Committee, don't be shy! Please email Gabriella Ziccarelli at ziccarelliG@dicksteinshapiro.com. We would love to have you.

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