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Announcing the 2024 Women Worth Watching® in Leadership Award Winners

Outstanding women leaders across the world honored by *Profiles in Diversity Journal*®

[CLEVELAND, OH Aug 9, 2024] *Profiles in Diversity Journal*® is pleased to announce the 70 recipients of the magazine's 23rd annual Women Worth Watching® in Leadership Awards. They join more than 2,000 former Award recipients (www.womenworthwatching.com) who exhibit dedication to their careers, their families, their community and the young adults who they often mentor in their fields.

These women are truly worth watching for they are amazingly creative at their jobs and in their communities. Over the years, *Profiles in Diversity Journal*® has compiled a long list of these overachievers who have gone from associate to partner at prestigious law firms or from vice president to CEO or onto founders of their own companies. They are often in great demand even after they retire and they are valued as board members and consultants. That is, to say, that their success is long term and they are often noted by others after they take a bow in the pages of our journal.

In addition, their words of wisdom, as reflected in their essays, are usually powerful and well worth your attention. They advise new employees eager to climb their own career ladders to find mentors, reject naysayers and take on more difficult roles, even if they make them uncomfortable. And many of these leaders stress the importance of being mentors and of giving back to their communities as their North Star.

"It is wonderful to get to know these exciting leaders and we applaud the organizations that are nominating them for this prestigious award," said *Profiles in Diversity Journal*'s Publisher James Rector. "They make it easy for us to honor their outstanding staff who are sure to be leaders of industry someday."

The Q3 edition of *Profiles in Diversity Journal*® will feature our 2024 Women Worth Watching® in Leadership award winners.

The 2024 Women Worth Watching® in Leadership Award Recipients

Company / Organization	Award Recipient	Title
AAON	Rebecca Thompson	Chief Financial Officer/ Vice President of Finance & Treasurer
Akin	Shiva Aminian	Partner
Akin	Michelle Chan	Partner
Allnex	Tanya Niu	Senior VP, Americas and Executive Committee Member
AMD, Inc.	Hanneke Krekels	Corporate Vice President, CEO Operations
AMD, Inc.	Renee Parentee	Director, Technology & Product Engineering Program Management
AT&T Business	Shelley Goodman	Senior Vice President, AT&T Indirect Alliance Channels
AT&T Business	Kate Deloach	Associate VP, Sales, Wholesale
AT&T Business	Meghan Warren	Chief of Staff for FirstNet & Public Sector Mobility at AT&T
Axinn, Veltrop & Harkrider LLP	Rebecca L. Clegg	Counsel
Catalyst	Kelly Montes	Executive Director, US
Circana	Helene Yen	Principal
Circana	Lauren Cosby	VP, Product Management
Cohen Ziffer Frenchman & McKenna LLP	Maria Brinkmann	Associate
Coldwell Banker Warburg	Kevelyn Guzman	Regional Vice President
Curriculum Associates	Kelly Sia	President
Dechert LLP	Siew Kam Boon	Partner
Dignity Health	Diane L. Martin	Division Director, Marketing
DRG Talent	Heather Gowdy	Partner
DRG Talent	Dara Z. Klarfeld	Chief Executive Officer
DTO Law	Lauren Hudecki	Partner
Entergy	Kimberly Cook-Nelson	Executive Vice President, Nuclear Operations, and Chief Nuclear Officer
FordHarrison LLP	Johanna G. Zelman	Partner
FUJIFILM Holdings America Corporation	Sarah Karlgaard	General Counsel & Secretary
FUJIFILM North America Corporation	Ashley Reeder	Vice President of Consumer Products for the Imaging Division
Gallaudet University	Dr. Khadijat K Rashid	Provost

Gibbons P.C.	Renée L. Monteyne	Director of Professional and Organizational Development
Globality Inc.	Sonia Mathai	Chief Human Resources Officer
Herrick, Feinstein LLP	Theresa Balducci	Counsel
Herrick, Feinstein LLP	Liliana Chang	Partner
Herrick, Feinstein LLP	Christina Ying	Partner
Hoguet Newman Regal & Kenney, LLP	Wendy Tsang	Associate
Hughes Hubbard & Reed LLP	Tamara Kraljic	Counsel
Idaho National Laboratory	Dr. Shannon Bragg-Sitton	Director, Integrated Energy & Storage Systems Division
Idaho National Laboratory	Geri Rackow	Director, Occupational Health Services
Idaho National Laboratory	Julie A. Ulrich	Senior Manager, Labwide Communication Services
Knobbe Martens	Maria Stout	Partner
Krauss Shaknes Tallentire & Messeri LLP	Jennifer Montoya	Associate
Latham & Watkins	Lindsey Champlin	Partner
Lighthouse	Stacy Ybarra	Chief Marketing Officer
Mayer Brown LLP	Lauren B. Pryor	Partner
McDonald Carano LLP	Chelsea Latino	Partner and Vice-Chair of the Employment & Labor Law Practice
Mitchell Silberberg & Knupp LLP	Iveliz Crespo	Director of DEI and Talent Development
MoloLamken LLP	Swara Saraiya	Associate
National Debt Relief	Natalia Brown	Chief Compliance and Consumer Affairs Officer
New American Funding	Patty Arvielo	CEO & Co-Founder
New American Funding	Mosi Gatling	SVP, Strategic Growth & Expansion
New American Funding	Caroline Isern Robinson	SVP, Multicultural Lending
New York Life	Liz Brill	Senior Vice President & CFO of the Foundational Business
Norton Rose Fulbright	Mary E. Young	Partner-in-Charge, Minneapolis
Pitts Leadership Consulting LLC	Shamis A. Pitts	Founder & CEO
Prosperity Now	Marisa Calderon	President & CEO
Reichman Jorgensen Lehman & Feldberg LLP	Jennifer Estremera	Partner & Firm Deputy Managing Partner
Reichman Jorgensen Lehman & Feldberg LLP	Amy Ruhland	Managing Partner, Austin Office

Robins Kaplan LLP	Carrie Lambert	Partner, Chair of Professional Development
Robins Kaplan LLP	Manleen Singh	Partner and Chair of Robins Kaplan Attorneys of Color Resource Group
Samina Bari Advisors	Samina Bari	Principal - Samina Bari Advisors
Sanford Heisler Sharp	Sharon Kim	Senior Litigation Counsel
Sempra	Lisa Larroque Alexander	Senior vice president, corporate affairs and chief sustainability officer
Sempra	Karen Sedgwick	Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer
Seward & Kissel LLP	Noelle Indelicato	Partner
SimplePractice	Smita Wadhawan	Chief Marketing Officer
Spirent Communications	Cheryl Ragland	Chief Marketing Officer
Stretto	Melinda Bennett	Managing Director
Stride, Inc.	Niyoka McCoy	Chief Learning Officer
Tapestry 360 Health	Nicole Willis	Chief Executive Officer
Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center El Paso	Dr. Alyssa Cervantes Benavides	Managing Director, Office of Interprofessional Education
UW Tacoma	Dr. Rachel Endo	Founding Dean & Professor
Valley National Bank	Collyn Gilbert	Executive Vice President, Chief Strategy & Marketing Officer
Van Dermeyden Makus Law Corporation	Liz DeChellis	Partner & Title IX Program Director, AWI-CH
WilmerHale	Lori Echavarria	Partner-in-Charge, Los Angeles Office; Vice Chair, Securities & Financial Services Department

About *Profiles in Diversity Journal*®

Now in its 26th year of publication, *Profiles in Diversity Journal*® is a quarterly B2B magazine that focuses on diversity, inclusion, and equity in business, government, nonprofit, higher education, and military settings. The *Journal* presents interviews, profiles, articles, case studies, and awards that highlight mission-driven leadership, best practices, workforce strategies, innovative ideas, and important individual contributions in the realm of diversity and inclusion.

Since 1999, *Profiles in Diversity Journal*® has recognized the individuals, teams, and organizations that create, develop, and promote strategies and initiatives that support diversity, inclusion, and equity in the workplace and the larger community.

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