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### Members and Friends of IWIRC NY,

2018 is off to a great start! We had so much fun networking with you at our whiskey tasting last week. We had a fantastic turnout – the event sold out with 75 tickets sold – and we hope you had a great time learning about the women behind many iconic whiskey brands. Our next event, which involves making chocolate truffles, will be advertised soon, so make sure to buy your tickets early!

If you're not a local (or you are, but you just love networking), IWIRC also has several regional events coming up this Spring. The IWIRC at the Shore conference will be in Atlantic City, NJ on March 1-2 and the IWIRC Spring Meeting will be in Washington D.C. on April 18-19. Sign up soon to reserve your spot!

Check out the rest of this newsletter for more information about these and other industry events, as well as member news.

As always, we appreciate your amazing support and attendance. We have an exciting year planned for you – stay tuned!

Samantha Martin and Jasmine Ball  
IWIRC NY Co-Chairs

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### Become a member

Joining IWIRC NY is easier than ever.  
[Sign up](#) and select New York as your primary network.

### Get involved

Interested in joining an IWIRC NY subcommittee?  
Do you have member news to share? [Drop us a line](#).



## Sixth Annual IWIRC at the Shore Conference

March 1-2, 2018

We hope to see many of you at the Sixth Annual IWIRC at the Shore Conference! The conference will be held on March 1-2, 2018 at the Borgata in Atlantic City, New Jersey. The conference will feature both social and educational networking events, including a CLE/CPE seminar with IWIRC NY panelists, a reception and dinner, as well as a spa event.

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## IWIRC NY Chocolate Truffle Making

April 5, 2018

Save the date for IWIRC NY's First ever Chocolate Truffle Making class. This event will definitely be a "treat" so register early!

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## IWIRC Spring Meeting

April 18-19, 2018

We hope to see you at the IWIRC Spring Meeting. The conference will be held on April 18-19, 2018 in Washington, D.C.

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## IWIRC NY Golf Camp

May 18, 2018

Save the date for IWIRC NY's 6th Annual Golf Camp! As always, this event caters to beginners and intermediates, as well as the most expert golfers among us, and is followed by a networking barbecue. This event is always one of our most popular, so register early!

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Also look out for other exciting events in the coming months including the UNCITRAL breakfast in May!

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- Shante George
- Kamila Khairoullina
- Samantha Martin
- Lara Sheikh
- Jodi Porepa
- Jessica Weitzman

## Camille Bent

The success of our Chapter is due in no small part to the contributions and enthusiasm of our incredible members. In celebration of that fact, we introduced the “IWIRC NY Shining Star” recognition to introduce you to exemplary members of the IWIRC NY community.

### Professional Background

Camille is a senior associate in BakerHostetler’s Bankruptcy and Creditors’ Rights practice, concentrating her practice in the areas of corporate bankruptcy, financial restructuring and commercial litigation. She has significant experience in litigation arising out of corporate insolvencies, including fraudulent transfer, negligent misrepresentation, and wrongful redemption cases. Camille has represented debtors, creditors, and other interested parties in a variety of industries. She continues to represent and defend the City of New York on a pro bono basis as a part of its Public Service Program, and is an active member of BakerHostetler’s Recruitment, Diversity, and Women’s Steering Committees. Camille also sits on the Board of Directors and the Audit Committee of Directions for Our Youth, an education enrichment nonprofit organization that serves over 1,200 children in the Bronx and Harlem. She approaches all situations with a detail-oriented and analytical eye toward the most effective and efficient solution.

### IWIRC Involvement

Camille has been involved with IWIRC since 2010, when Judge Pamela Pepper, the judge she clerked for, introduced her to the organization. Since then, she served three years as Communications Chair of the New York Network, helping to redesign and streamline the network’s quarterly newsletter, email communications, and social media campaigns. She also served on the 2017 IWIRC Programming Committee and helped to plan IWIRC’s Fall Conference, and she will speak with her co-panelists at the upcoming IWIRC at the Shore Conference in Atlantic City, about “Ethical Considerations in Bankruptcy Auctions.”

### Most Memorable IWIRC Moment

Camille’s most memorable IWIRC moment to date was winning IWIRC’s 2017 Rising Star Award. “It was wonderful to be recognized for my work and service to the organization, but I will not soon forget the overwhelming support I received from my IWIRC New York sisters. The support goes well past the award; it’s an everyday mindset that goes to the heart of IWIRC’s purpose and mission. I hope to pay it forward.”



**Name:** Camille Bent  
**Firm:** BakerHostetler  
**Title:** Senior Associate



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To join the conversation about women in the workplace, visit the Debevoise Women’s Review at [women.debevoise.com](http://women.debevoise.com)

**Congratulations to our IWIRC NY members on their recent accomplishments. Let us sing your praises! Email us your accomplishments for inclusion in our next newsletter.**

- M. Natasha Labovitz of Debevoise & Plimpton LLP co-chaired Turnaround Management Association's 2018 Distressed Investing Conference February 7 – 9, 2018. [Congratulate her!](#)
- My Chi To of Debevoise & Plimpton LLP on a panel titled The Decision to Separate at PLI's Spin-Offs 2018 program on February 12, 2018. [Congratulate her!](#)
- Samantha Martin of Strock & Strock & Lavan LLP was elected to the International Insolvency Institute NextGen Executive Committee. [Congratulate her!](#)
- Jasmine Ball of Debevoise & Plimpton LLP will be speaking on a panel titled Bankruptcy & Restructuring Overview: Back to the Future at the International Air Transport Association (IATA) Legal Symposium February 27-March 1, 2018. [Congratulate her!](#)
- My Chi To of Debevoise & Plimpton LLP will be speaking on a panel titled Intercreditor and Subordination Agreements; Make Whole Premiums at PLI's Bankruptcy & Reorganizations 2018: Current Developments April 25-26, 2018. [Congratulate her!](#)
- M. Natasha Labovitz of Debevoise & Plimpton LLP will be speaking on a panel titled Best Practices from the Bench, the Bar, the Board Room and the Bean Counters at AIRA's Annual Conference June 14-16, 2018. [Congratulate her!](#)
- Effective February 1, 2018, Janice Grubin was elected to a three year term on the Board of Directors of LeClairRyan, P.C. [Congratulate her!](#)
- Helen Zhang has been promoted to Manager at Zolfo Cooper. Helen has been advising Greek-owned international shipping company Toisa in its restructuring. [Congratulate her!](#)
- Deborah Praga has been promoted to Associate at Zolfo Cooper. Deborah has been advising the UCC of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico in its restructuring. [Congratulate her!](#)
- Hillary Davis was promoted to Senior Vice President in AlixPartners' Financial Advisory Services practice [Congratulate her!](#)



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- Leah Eisenberg, of Counsel, Foley & Lardner LLP, was presented with the Eleventh Annual Executive of the Year Award at The New York Institute of Credit's 11th Annual Women in Achievement Awards. [Congratulate her!](#)
- Camille Bent was nominated and selected to participate in the NYC Bar's Associate Leadership Institute. The institute selects mid- and senior-level associates to participate in a series of high-level career development training, including keynote speakers, intensive training modules, and networking opportunities. Information about the institute is available [here](#). [Congratulate her!](#)
- Carren Shulman spoke at the Bankruptcy Law Symposium honoring Jay Lawrence Westbrook at the University of Texas School of Law on February 3. [Congratulate her!](#)

## Welcome to IWIRC NY's New Members who joined as of February 23, 2018

- Christine Kim  
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- Karen Ostad  
*GlobeAdvise LLC*
- Kelly Moynihan  
*Kilpatrick Townsend & Stockton LLP*
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## Top Five Tips I've Received Over the Years

### Alexandra Mahnken

*Baker Tilly Virchow Krause, LLP*

I have been lucky to have some wonderful and sage people in my life who have imparted great wisdom to me. While these tips may seem random, they have stayed with me for years (in one case, since seventh grade). I now share these tips with you.

**1. Wear red to networking events.** Stand out in the crowd at the event and afterwards. How many times do you get back from an event with a stack of business cards and have no idea who these people are? The woman in the red dress (or any other bright color) at least has a shot of being remembered. [Blanche Zelmanovich](#), an IWIRC member, is an avid practitioner of this rule. I always see her looking great in bright colors.

– From a bankruptcy attorney (and good friend)

**2. Network with people you like.** Many of us dread “networking.” If you network with people you like, it’s no longer networking, it’s getting together with friends. The goal of networking is to get work – don’t you want to work with people you like? As members of IWIRC, you are in the right place!

– From my performance coach ten years ago

**3. Avoid making typos.** I googled it and can find no actual support for this, but I swear that it works. Don’t cross your ankles when typing, you’ll make far fewer typos. I guess it has something to do with your feet being connected to your brain (ultimately). Try it.

– From my seventh grade typing teacher

**4. Visit the facilities proactively.** This one is my favorite. When on a business trip, use the ladies’ room when you can. You never know how long it will be until you can make another visit. I have amended this rule to: eat whenever you can, you never know how long it will be until your next meal.

– From my very first boss at my very first summer internship at Marine Midland Bank a very long time ago

**5. Be MacGyver.** Become a MacGyver when on a business trip. I keep every freebie I’m given on a plane, at a conference, or in a hotel room because you never know when it will come in handy (you can throw them away when you get home). You don’t need to be a MacGyver to grab a lint roller with a logo on it and use it to take lint off your clothing. MacGyvering requires combining several unrelated items to create an outlandish solution to a pressing problem. Especially valuable: chewing gum, anything sharp, chopsticks. Be creative.

– From the author

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## **Mentor Meet & Greet**

**Hosted by the NYIC Future Leaders for Future Leaders**

February 27, 2018, New York, New York

## **Duberstein Bankruptcy Moot Court Competition Gala Awards Dinner**

March 5, 2018, New York, New York

## **TMA NYCs NOW (Network of Women) Networking Event**

March 20, 2018, New York, New York

## **ABI Endowment Fund & Mariano Rivera Foundation Benefit for Puerto Rico**

April 4, 2018, New York, New York

## **IWIRC Spring Meeting**

April 18-19, 2018, Washington, D.C.

## **ABI 2018 Annual Spring Meeting**

April 19 – 22, 2018, Washington, DC

## **INSOL New York**

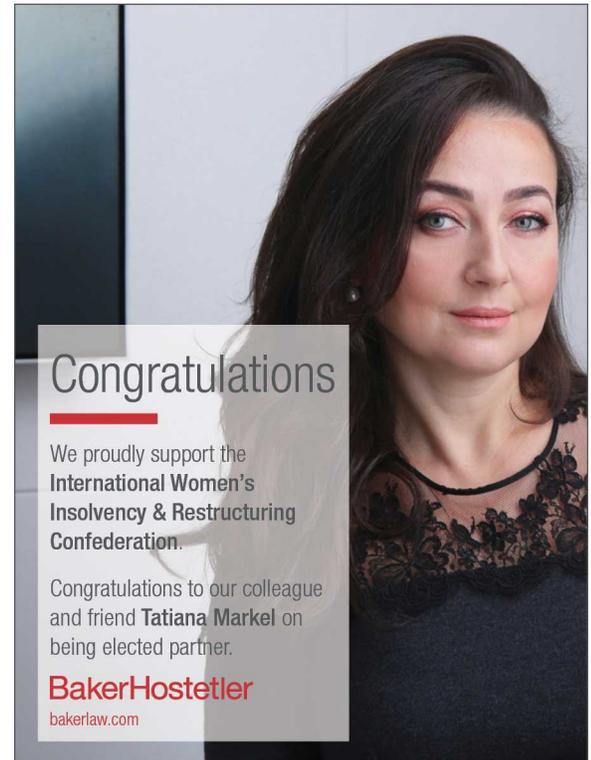
April 29, 2018 – May 1, 2018  
New York, New York

## **16th TMA Mid-Atlantic Regional Symposium**

June 6 – 7, 2018, Atlantic City, NJ

## **NYIC Centennial Award Celebration Honoring Harvey Gross**

June 11, 2018, New York, New York



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## Jasmine Ball

Jasmine Ball is a corporate partner and member of the Debevoise & Plimpton's Business Restructuring & Workouts Group. She regularly represents debtors, investors, creditors and other parties in distressed mergers & acquisitions, workouts, debt and equity financing and refinancing, complex restructurings and Chapter 11 bankruptcy proceedings.

Jasmine is recognized by The Legal 500 US (2014-2017), where she is praised for her "strong management skills and critical thinking" and noted as "particularly good" and "thoughtful and smart." Ms. Ball was among the winners of M&A Advisor's 2017 "Restructuring Deal of the Year (\$1B to \$5B)" for her role as aircraft counsel to CHC Group in its successful Chapter 11 proceedings as well as Turnaround Management Association's 2016 "Transaction of the Year: Large Company Award" for her role in advising Altegrity in its Chapter 11 proceedings and successful restructuring of more than \$1.8 billion in funded indebtedness. She was also a recipient of Turnaround Management Association's 2014 "Transaction of the Year: Mega Company Award" for her role in advising American Airlines and AMR, as special aircraft counsel, in their highly successful Chapter 11 proceedings. Jasmine has been named a 2015 recipient of the "Outstanding 50 Asian Americans in Business" awards and recognized as an "Outstanding Young Restructuring Lawyer" (2013) by Turnarounds & Workouts.

She is Co-Chair for the International Women's Insolvency & Restructuring Confederation (IWIRC) NY Chapter Board, a member of the American Bankruptcy Institute, a member of the Turnaround Management Association and on the TMA New York Academic Relations Committee, a member of the firm's Diversity Committee and is also active in various Asian legal associations, including Asian American Legal Defense and Education Fund and Asian American Bar Association activities.



Jasmine Ball  
Partner  
Debevoise & Plimpton

## Jennifer Meyerowitz

As managing director of client relations and development at GCG, Jennifer Meyerowitz brings more than 15 years of experience as a bankruptcy and restructuring attorney and leader in the settlement administration industry to lead GCG's Restructuring business development efforts. Jennifer is responsible for creating and executing the company's long-term growth strategy as well as providing a seamless and tailored experience for GCG's clients.

Jennifer is highly regarded within the industry for her unique ability to connect with and develop relationships with clients and referral sources. She and her team provide efficient and innovative solutions that incorporate the latest technology offerings for our clients' specific case needs, including their award-winning work on the chapter 11 reorganizations of Samson Resources and Quicksilver Resources.

Before she joined GCG, Jennifer spent eight years in business development leadership roles, most recently serving as the vice president of business development for a Chapter 7 Trustee legal technology start-up where she managed the sales team, and served as the liaison between clients and operations. Prior to that, she was a vice president for a global legal technology and services company, with responsibility for development, legal counsel and consulting, compliance and logistics, and case management functions for the company's bankruptcy and restructuring settlement services. In that role, she handled the claims administration of numerous high-profile cases including AbitibiBowater, Chrysler Corporation, Delta Petroleum Company, Energy Future Holdings Corp., HomeBanc Mortgage Corporation, Lehman Brothers and Satmex.

Jennifer began her career as a practicing attorney at Alston & Bird LLP where, for nearly 10 years, she represented debtors, secured and unsecured creditors, creditors' committees and trustees in complex workouts, debt restructurings, commercial litigation and chapter 11 bankruptcy proceedings.

Jennifer received her undergraduate degree from the University of Michigan and her J.D. from Emory University School of Law, where she was the executive notes and comments editor for the Bankruptcy Developments Journal. She is a long-time member and past Chair of IWIRC national, and a proud recipient of the 2015 Melnik Award as an outstanding IWIRC member. She is also a co-founder and past chair of the IWIRC Georgia network.



Jennifer Meyerowitz  
Managing Director, Client Relations &  
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## Connect with Us

We now have a combined total of 595 followers on Facebook, LinkedIn, and Twitter, and it's not too late for you to join the fun. Being a "friend" of IWIRC NY on social media has become more rewarding than ever! Continue to look out for more giveaways to upcoming events on LinkedIn, Facebook and Twitter!



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