



Gunderson Dettmer Commemorates 2024 Global Diversity Awareness Month

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Gunderson Dettmer proudly celebrates the 2024 Global Diversity Awareness Month this October, reflecting on a year of meaningful engagement with diverse communities. From honoring Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month with a team gathering in Chinatown to celebrating Black History Month by showcasing the achievements of Black clients, the firm's goal is clear: to foster connections.

In our inaugural message for Global Diversity Awareness Month, five partners representing the firm's Diversity & Inclusion Committee and our nine affinity groups share their stories and insights, illustrating how these groups help foster bonds in a demanding legal environment. The message also features authentic perspectives from professional staff and associate conveners, who emphasize the critical role of representation and creating inclusive spaces where everyone feels valued, heard and supported, regardless of their race, gender, cultural backgrounds and past experiences. Our differences unite us, and it is through this diversity that we become a stronger, more resilient firm

As we continue our diversity and inclusion journey, we take a moment to reflect on our progress and the mentors who have shaped us, understanding the importance of paying it forward by supporting the next generation of legal professionals.

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