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## The path to success

## Leadership skills get handed down to the next generation of female lawyers

In the legal profession, the gender gap is characterized by fewer women in top governance and practice leadership posts; less access to senior partners who influence client exposure; and the juggle between family and career that often falls more heavily on women. The 114 attorneys on the 2019 list of Notable Women in Law have responded with an arsenal of techniques to lessen that gap for younger women by developing their leadership, legal and business development skills.

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