

Did You Know?

It's true that Ballard Spahr is a top national law firm and a great place to grow your career. It's also a thriving and supportive community with a culture defined by its vibrant history, innovative projects, diverse and inclusive environment, and strong commitment to pro bono work.

Our annual WhatsNext daylong virtual business festival is a groundbreaking forum for remote collaboration and connection. Dozens of speakers and presenters from business, sports, and entertainment share information, insights, and inspiration—including an inaugural event kicked off with a motivational speech from popular Philadelphia Eagle Jason Kelce.

We take care of each other and the community. Hawa Abdallah Mohammed Salih, a human rights and women's rights activist from the Darfur region of Sudan, met firm Chair Mark Stewart when she sought political asylum in the United States. After Mark won asylum for Hawa, she joined the staff of Ballard Spahr—and is now a U.S. citizen.



We have a long history of supporting women in sports.

A Ballard Spahr pro bono team helped the U.S. Women's National Hockey Team make history when it negotiated a contract providing fair pay and equitable support for women's and girls' programs nationwide. We also represented the U.S. Women's Soccer Team for more than 20 years in its fight for equitable treatment.

Our real estate team played a leading role in laying the groundwork for the Comcast Technology Center. The Center is the largest private development in Pennsylvania history. And we get to see the results of our work—the building is right next door to our Philadelphia office.

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We snagged the *Financial Times*' prestigious Most Innovative Lawyers North America Award for "Rethinking the Workplace."

The *Times* recognized our modification of the proprietary *Ballard360* client-facing technology tools to facilitate internal collaboration when the coronavirus pandemic hit—ensuring a virtually seamless transition to working remotely.

We've been honored by publications and organizations across the country for advancing women attorneys at the firm and in the legal profession. We are Gold Standard-Certified by the Women in Law Empowerment Forum, Yale Law Women recognized us in their 2020 gender equity report, and we're ranked among the best U.S. law firms for women by *Law360*, *WomenInc.*, and *Working Mother*.

We have Big News. Literally.

Our Media and Entertainment Law practice represents many of the most prominent names in the industry, including *The New York Times*, *The Washington Post*, *ABC News*, *CBS News*, and *NBCUniversal*.



Our Racial Justice and Equality Initiative targets racial injustice through pro bono representation in cases involving issues such as policing, education, and voting rights. Staffed by our Litigation

Department lawyers, the initiative includes pro bono representation to media outlets serving communities of color. And we are partnering with clients as well as public interest organizations dedicated to racial justice and equality—including financial support.