

Kahlil Yearwood Interviewed by The Recorder After Being Named Office Managing Partner of the Year Finalist

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In a Q&A with [The Recorder](#) [PDF], Kahlil Yearwood — Co-Partner in Charge of our San Francisco office and a finalist for the publication's Office Managing Partner of the Year — described a leadership approach built on people rather than hierarchy: hire great people, support them in being their best selves, and remove the obstacles in their way. It's part of why he gave up a traditional office at One Embarcadero Center: "When you sit in the open alongside everyone else, you hear things sooner, you connect people faster, and you signal that no one is above the team."

On the hot topic of AI, Kahlil looked ahead to what he called "the triple impact of AI": getting lawyers to the cutting edge of the tools, supporting people through the change those tools bring, and advising clients on the fast-emerging legal questions around AI, data centers, and data governance.

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