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Firm Leader

Dr. Bonny Forrest brings to her work with lawyers a unique combination of skills and experience.

Her many years as a practicing lawyer gave her a first-hand understanding of the issues that confront lawyers working in fast-paced, high-stakes environments. She practiced as a litigator at Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher in San Francisco and then, during the height of the hostile takeover boom, as an M&A lawyer at Skadden Arps in New York, before moving in-house to Greenwich Capital Markets and Merrill Lynch.

While completing her doctorate in neuropsychology at Columbia and Yale, she also led Shearman & Sterling's pro bono program.

Her background and training enable her to combine a first-hand grasp of what it is like to practice in a large firm with top-tier training as a psychologist and many years' experience coaching professionals. For Firm Leader, she specializes in working with successful lawyers, primarily partners, whose progress has been hampered by counter-productive patterns of behavior, interpersonal issues, or group dynamics that require more than simple advice to address.

