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# The Gold Standard: Kilpatrick Townsend Once Again Named a Top Law Firm for Women

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## *Firm Receives Gold Standard Certification from Women in Law Empowerment Forum*

**ATLANTA (June 22) - Kilpatrick Townsend & Stockton** announced today that it qualified for **The Women in Law Empowerment Forum's (WILEF) Gold Standard Certification**. This prestigious designation is given to firms that have integrated women equity partners into top leadership positions. This is the fourth time in five years that Kilpatrick Townsend has achieved this recognition, having first earned certification in 2011. Only 44 firms received this high honor.

WILEF Certification emphasizes the leadership roles achieved by equity women partners, rather than the policies or practices of the firm or the overall number or percentage of women in the partnership. Law firms with 300 or more practicing lawyers in the United States are eligible for the 2015 WILEF Gold Standard Certification if they successfully demonstrate that women represent a meaningful percentage of their equity partners, of their highest leadership positions, of their governance and compensation committees, and of their most highly compensated partners.

To be certified, firms had to meet at least four of the six criteria:

- Women account for at least 20% of equity partners or alternatively, 33% or more of the attorneys becoming equity partners during the past twelve months.
- Women represent at least 10% of firm chairs and office managing partners.
- Women make up at least 20% of the firm's primary governance committee.
- Woman represent 20% or more of the firm's compensation committee.
- Women make up at least 25% of practice group leaders or department heads.
- Women represent at least 10% of the top half of the most highly compensated partners.

Kilpatrick Townsend's commitment to diversity and inclusion as a core value leads the firm to pursue initiatives that make every aspect of the work environment more open and fulfilling for everyone.

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