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Professional Background

Jamila Justine Willis has five years of experience as a corporate restructuring associate. She currently works in the New York office of DLA Piper LLP (US). In her practice, Jamila has represented debtors, creditors, official and ad hoc committees, lenders and strategic parties in both Chapter 11 and Chapter 15 cases, and in out-of-court restructurings.

Prior to joining the world of restructuring, Jamila was a human rights attorney at International Bridges to Justice in Geneva, Switzerland, an anti-torture organization that develops legal aid and public defense systems in developing nations. As a human rights attorney, Jamila focused on strengthening the existing IBJ programs in Zimbabwe, Burundi and Rwanda.

IWIRC Involvement

Jamila initially joined IWIRC in 2011 as a passive member, attending conferences and events from time to time. Recently, she has increased her involvement in IWIRC recently by writing articles and sitting on panels focused on personal branding. Jamila hopes you'll join her and Judge Cyganowski for breakfast on September 10, 2015.

Personal Life

Jamila is passionate about culture, travel and the economic empowerment of women and girls. In her free time, Jamila sits on the junior boards of the Neuberger Museum of Art, High Water Women, and Sadie Nash Leadership Foundation. Having lived in Europe and traveled extensively throughout Europe, Africa, Asia and the Americas, she hopes to continue to visit two new locations a year.

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