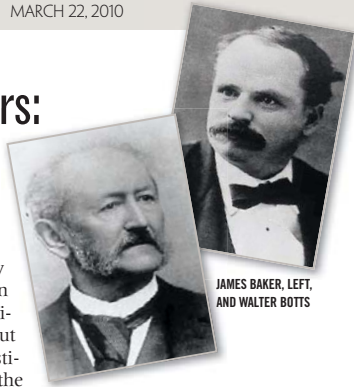


## Big law name partners: Most are long gone

Kathleen Sullivan made news earlier this month when she became the first female name partner of an AmLaw 100 firm—at the newly renamed Quinn Emanuel Urquhart & Sullivan. That seminal addition prompted more curiosity about those for whom the country's most prestigious law firms are named. Fortunately, the folks at the Center on the Global Legal Profession at Indiana University Maurer School of Law—Bloomington partnered with the *American Law Journal* to take a closer look. They collected biological information for 264 of the 266 name partners at AmLaw 100 firms and discovered that (you'll want to sit down for this) name partners are mostly white, male and dead.

There is not a single minority among AmLaw 100 name partners, the report concluded. With the average name partner born in 1896, it's no surprise that nearly 83% of them are no longer alive. The average age of name partners in 2010 is 113 years, but Baker Botts wins the award for oldest average age at a ripe 182 years—the firm was founded in 1840. —KAREN SLOAN



JAMES BAKER, LEFT, AND WALTER BOTTS

**IMPERSONATING AN OFFICER** A Maricopa County, Ariz., jury last week found David Word, 62, guilty of impersonating a lawman for pulling over an off-duty police officer. Avondale police



officer Matt Lydic says he was on his way to work last May when Word pulled him over while driving a black Ford Crown Victoria equipped with lights and a siren. Lydic said Word told him to slow down, then drove off. Police tracked Word down and arrested him at his home. —AP

**FASHIONISTA** For nearly two years, Kat Griffin has anonymously authored a fashion blog called Corporette, which is aimed at helping women in conservative careers find the right look for the workplace. Now, she's come out of the closet—so to speak. Griffin, 33, was working as a litigator at Cahill Gordon & Reindel in New York when she came up with idea for the blog. In the coming months, she plans to co-host a series of events with *InStyle* magazine and AK Anne Klein that will offer fashion presentations to the public. "I was anonymous for a long time on the blog," she said. "And it's somewhat difficult to host a fashion event anonymously." —AMANDA BRONSTAD



KAT GRIFFIN

**NO-ODOR CITY** Detroit city employees will be urged not to wear perfume, cologne or aftershave as a result of a settlement in a federal lawsuit. Officials plan to place warning placards in three city buildings. The signs will warn workers to avoid "wearing scented products, including... colognes, aftershave lotions, perfumes, deodorants, body/face lotion...[and] the use of scented candles, perfume samples from magazines, spray or solid air fresheners." The employee handbook and Americans With Disabilities Act training also will bear warnings. The *Detroit News* reports the move stems from a settlement in a suit filed by a city employee who said a colleague's perfume made it challenging for her to do her job. —AP



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“His coming back is the ultimate act of remorse.”

*Defense lawyer James Neuman of his client, Luis Soltren, who pleaded guilty on March 18 to three counts related to hijacking a plane to Cuba in 1968.*

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