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Diversity has long been a core value of Morrison & Foerster. Over 20 years ago, we formally implemented our diversity mission statement, which continues to define the firm’s cultural values today. We understand that fostering an environment of inclusion enables us to offer a wide range of perspectives to provide exemplary services to our clients. In short, we aim to make our firm a model of diversity that others will follow.

As we state in our mission statement—“We at Morrison & Foerster will continue our work to break down barriers to equal opportunity, to value fully the differences among people in our organization while recognizing our similarities, and to create an atmosphere in which each individual can develop his or her potential to the fullest extent possible”—the firm believes that diversity among its lawyers and staff serves its overall institutional values, which emphasize excellence in client service, collegiality, respect for everyone, professional and business ethics, and duty to the profession and the community.

Under the direction of the Diversity Strategy Committee, the board of directors, and the firm’s attorney development and director of diversity, the firm creates, implements, and assesses firmwide diversity and inclusion programs and initiatives, including training, mentoring, and orientations specifically for the firm’s underrepresented lawyers.
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