Bias: An Inherently Human Condition

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Bias: What, Why, How



What is Bias?

" A disposition to decide a cause or issue in a certain way"

^ 2009 Black's Law Dictionary



Types of Biases Listed in Black's Law Dictionary

1) Actual

2) Implied / Presumed
3) Inferable
4) Judicial

5) Advocate



1) Conformation Bias

2) Affinity Bias



Types of Societal Bias

1) Are Unemployed; 2) Over age 60; 3) Didn't go to college; 4) Are not attractive; 5) Who are working moms; 6) Who don't have children; 7) Who have too many children; 8) Who are overweight; 9) Who don't speak English; 10) Who are disabled; 11) Who are divorced;



Types of Societal Bias

12) Who don't believe in marriage; 13) Who have different political views; 14) Who are people of color; 15) Who own handguns; 16) Who have tatoos; 17) Who believe in God; 18) Who don't believe in God; 19) Who don't go to church; 20) Who drink; 21) Who don't drink; 22) Who are White



Types of Societal Bias

23) Who are Black; 24) Who are Latino; 25) Who are Asians 26) Who are Gay, Lesbian, Queer, Trans; 27) Who are poor; 28) Who don't wear masks; 29) Who dress to sexy; 30) Who don't workout; 31) Who are Women 32) Who are wealthy.



Gender Bias

"a preference or prejudice toward one gender over another"





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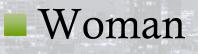
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Report

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National Lawyer Population

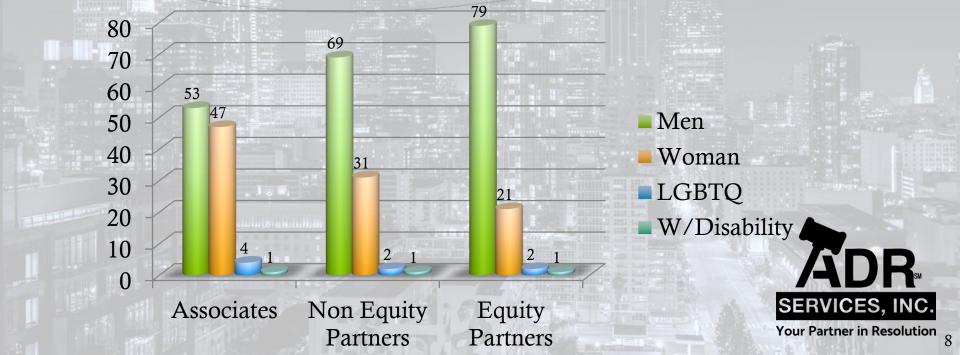
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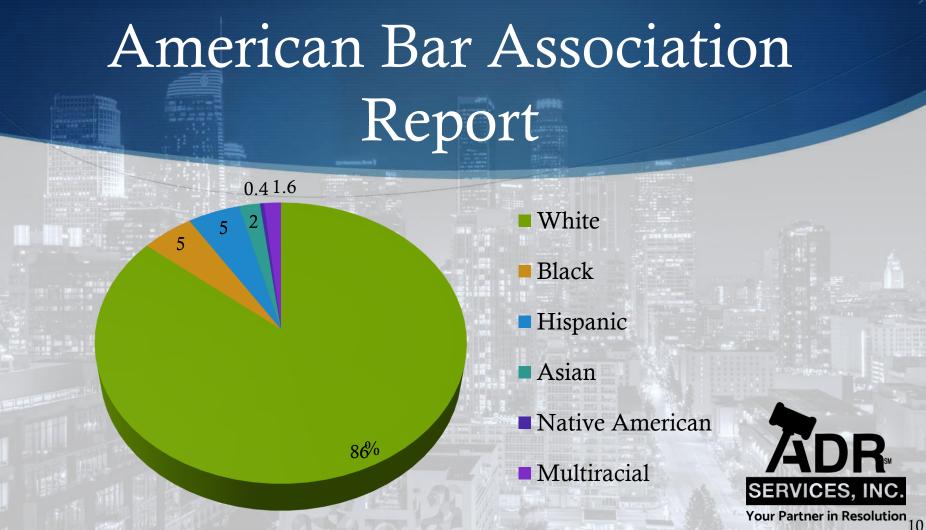
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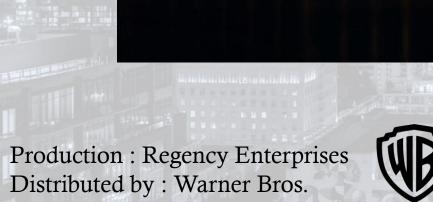
Racial Discrimination

Racial Discrimination is any discrimination against any individual on the basis of skin color or racial of ethnic origin.





A Time to Kill





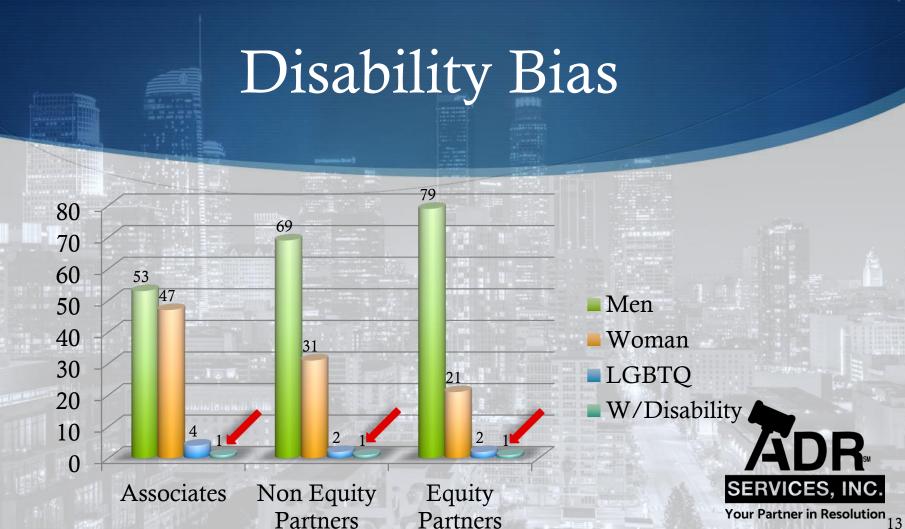


Disability Bias

DISABILITY

DISCRIMINATION





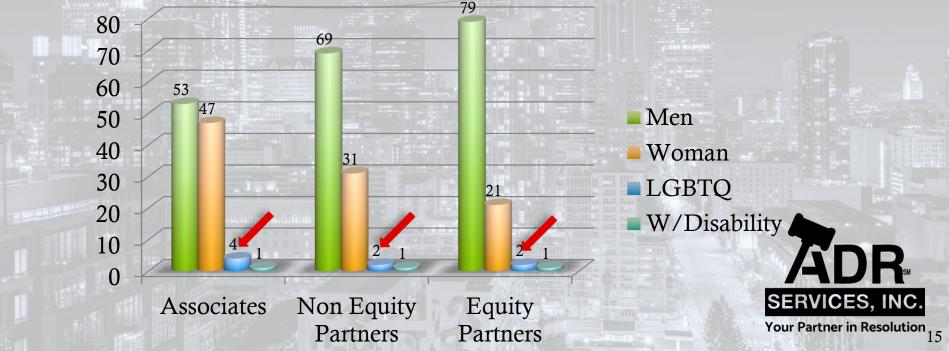
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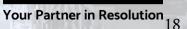
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Political Bias



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Religious and Faith Based Bias



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List of Negative Biases Impact

Hostility Discrimination Divisiveness Prejudice Judgmental Attitude Alienation Negativity in Attitude and Action Disrespectfulness Lack of Teamwork and Support





The How

Anti Bias Training

Raise awareness Provide tools

Inspire

Be meaningful





Making the Team









Playing the Game







"E PLURIBUS UNUM, OUT OF MANY, ONE"

- UNUM

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Creating Awareness

Stop Look & Listen

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* ACKNOWLEDGE your Biases

* ADMIT your Biases

* OWN your Biases





Make the Necessary Changes



Thank you

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