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Lori Berman Receives the 2017 PDC Richard Pearson Award

Award Presented to Lori Berman during the 2017 Winter Meeting

December 14, 2017 (McLean, VA) The Professional Development Consortium (PDC) is pleased to announce the 2017 recipient of the PDC Richard Pearson Award, **Lori Berman**, Director of Professional Development, Hogan Lovells US LLP. The award was presented on November 29, 2017 at the [PDC Winter Meeting](#) held at the Mandarin Oriental Hotel in Washington, DC.

This award was established in memory of Richard Pearson, long-time PDC member and stalwart in the legal professional development community. Pearson, whose previous positions included serving as Chief Learning & Development Officer at Davis Wright & Tremaine LLP in Seattle, died suddenly in March of 2014 while rowing, one of his passions. Richard left behind an impressive legacy of innovation and collaboration as a legal PD professional. He was a true thought-leader. Richard served on the PDC Board from 2011 through 2013.

Lori Berman marries research findings with practical applications and brings them to bear in the law firm setting. At Hogan Lovells US LLP, Lori creates and leads both regional and global programs that enhance the ability of lawyers to serve clients. She is also an Adjunct Professor and Senior Fellow at the Georgetown Law School Center for the Study of the Legal Profession, where she conducts research on predictors of lawyer success and teaches law school courses on leadership and team skills. She has written several articles on lawyer development, and co-authored the book, *Accelerating Lawyer Success: How to Make Partner, Stay Healthy, and Flourish in a Law Firm*.

Lori is an avid learner. Her formal education includes an MA and a Ph.D. in Industrial and Organizational Psychology from the University of Maryland, and a BA in Psychology from Cornell University. Equally important is the development and energy she gets from conferences, seminars, and collaboration with colleagues. She has been a member of the PDC community since 2004.

“It is an honor to celebrate Richard’s lasting legacy within our industry and at the same time recognize a deserving member of our professional development community” said Don Smith, PDC Chair. “We are delighted to honor Lori for her admirable accomplishments and contributions to our profession. Lori is an outstanding member of our PDC community and extremely deserving of this important honor.”

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