

**NALP Liaison Report**  
**PDC Liaison**  
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**PDC Winter Meeting – December 5, 2012**

The PDC held its winter meeting the day before PDI at the Fairmont Hotel. Approximately 70 PDC members attended the meeting. The agenda is below.

- **What Big Things are You Working On?** – Elizabeth Foster-Nolan and Pete Glowacki  
This was an interactive program that focused on initiatives or programming ideas that PDC members were working on in their firms. Attendees reported back to the group their successes, challenges and obstacles.
- **Alternative Legal Career Tracks** – Jean Durling and Maggie Suender  
This program focused on the trend of alternative staffing in law firms. Jean and Maggie surveyed a wide variety of firms to compile information on what was happening with different tracks and staffing models.
- **How to Make Your Case** – Kathleen Dunn, Sue Manch and Scott Westfahl  
This program was professional development for the PD professional. The theme of the program was how to get in front of the decision makers and present the case for what you need. The panel gave suggestions regarding how to construct/design your case and then how to present that case to firm leadership. Attendees were asked participate by sharing their experiences or by role playing their case in front of the panel.
- **Road Show** – Various PDC members led table discussions on the following topics  
Legal Project Management  
New Associate Progression Models/Associate Retention Programs  
Bus Dev Training  
Partner Training  
Mentoring/Sponsorship/Coaching  
Diversity Initiatives  
Wellness Programs.
- **Getting to Know You** – Burt Lipshie, Anita Zigman, Heather Bock  
This program highlighted the careers of 3 long time PDC members. The panel shared their career paths, stories and answered questions from the audience. This was done off site at Patton Boggs.
- The summer PDC conference will be held in Boston, July 11 – 13, 2013.

**Other News**

Jeanne Picht, formerly Director of PD and Recruitment at Stites & Harbison, is now Director of Strategic Talent with Lawyer Metrics. Jeanne was in line to take over the PDC Chair role in July, 2013. Due to her move to Lawyer Metrics, Jeanne had to leave the PDC. Jim Lovelace,

Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman LLP, will take over as Vice Chair and assume the Chair role in July.