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Inside Story: 2016 Summer Associates at Cahill Gordon & Reindel LLP express their enthusiasm for the firm.

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The Summer Associates Survey

Cahill Gordon & Reindel LLP

How would you describe this firm to other law school students?

2016 Summer Associates' Comments

- A place where individuals thrive and a great opportunity to get a lot of experience early on.
- Awesome.
- Cahill is an excellent place to work, and I can't imagine working at another firm.
- Cahill is an extraordinary law firm full of hard-working, collegial people who truly feel a passion for their work.
- Cahill is definitely not a bureaucracy and the firm is willing to give you whatever amount of responsibility you are willing to take. The free market system makes it easy to take on the type of work that you like and allows you to work with people who are willing to mentor you.
- Cahill is more laid-back than other firms, which is largely due to the free market system. The people here trust that you will produce high quality work, give you a good amount of responsibility, and let you be an individual.
- Cahill provided a professional environment that places emphasis on in-firm relationship development.
- Cahill runs a tight ship. Other than being excellent in its practice areas, Cahill really invests in its people; associates work extremely hard but are rewarded and respected.
- Collegial.
- Collegial and well-regarded.
- Collegial environment that is most appropriate for self-starters and motivated individuals.
- Fantastic friendly people to work with.
- Great place to work and discover the type of assignments and practice areas that interest you.
- Great law firm with great work and employees.
- Ideal. Cahill offers the resources, prestigious clients, and complex matters typically associated with an enormous international firm, with all of the benefits -- lean staffing, extra responsibility, familiarity with colleagues -- of being a smaller New York-DC firm.

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2016 Summer Associates' Comments

- It is lean and well-positioned for the future, has a collegial culture, and while it may not have the diversity of practice areas found in some other firms, it is at the top of the field in capital markets work.
- It's an excellent place to work. A hidden gem--awesome at what they do, very profitable and generous with revenue, very laid back and easygoing place to work.
- It's great.
- Laid back, friendly, collegial. Your work product is the thing that matters most. If you are getting your work done, handing it in on time, and doing a good job, that will not go unnoticed and is the most important thing. The free market system lets you try out a lot as a summer associate and you get to work with a lot of different people, both associates and partners.
- Merit based. People focused. Money.
- Professional, amicable, and invested in its lawyers.
- The firm is very heavily oriented towards finance. The firm culture is relaxed and understanding of personal needs. You will be busy even though the firm size is smaller than other firms.
- The people are great -- they put a lot of trust in summer associates and give us real responsibility, but have reasonable expectations about how much time we'll be spending on work vs. social events.
- The work environment is laid back, and associates and partners are very accessible. There is no micro-managing and attorneys are expected to manage their own work schedules.
- This firm is a great place to learn. You will be given real responsibilities. That can be stressful, and the partners and associates you work with will push you to learn and be better. I can't think of a better way to prepare for the real world.
- This is a great place to work. Here, you can do whatever you want. If you want to work closely with top attorneys, you can. If you want to try out both litigation and corporate work, you can. This place is what you make it.
- Top-notch attorneys. Unparalleled excellence in leveraged finance, capital markets, and litigation. Great place to work.
- Top-notch with good people.
- Wonderful. Cahill is a true meritocracy and a "no rules" kind of place. The firm expects you to take initiative and trusts that you are an adult who can get your work done without anyone babysitting you. If you work hard and do good work, people notice and you will get more work from people.