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## Inside Story: 2018 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?

#### 2018 Summer Associates' Comments

- This firm is truly a fantastic place to work. The culture is friendly and the work is interesting. The free market assignment system is something this firm prides itself on, and for good reason. Whatever type of work you want to try, you can seek out and do.
- This firm is the top firm for capital markets. I like how it's no-frills, because there will be more money in my pocket. The summer program is really fun, but you also get real work that will be used. The free market system seems intimidating at first, but it is really easy to find work. It allows you to try a variety of work with a variety of people.
- A great place to work. All of the associates and partners are very nice and helpful.
- A smaller, but equally hardworking and powerful, law firm. The more intimate work environment makes for closer bonds between people.
- An excellent firm with helpful and friendly attorneys, a great size, and interesting and challenging work.
- An incredible work environment where, notwithstanding busy workloads, everyone is happy to take the time to help answer questions and ensure a smooth transition from law school to work life.
- Cahill does some of the most interesting work on the biggest transactions and cases, gives its associates a lot of responsibility, and is full of remarkable and great people to be around.
- Cahill is a phenomenal place to learn and grow. Partners and associates trust the summers to take on responsibility and provide guidance as needed, but all lawyers are expected to learn on the go. Being trusted to produce high quality legal work is exciting, stimulating, and a little nerve-racking. However, that has enabled me this summer to develop new skills, strengthen my legal writing, and work efficiently.
- Cahill is an industry leader in leveraged finance. If you desire to work at the intersection of law and finance, you would be hard-pressed to find a better place. We work the legal side of investment banking—a real draw for business-oriented students. Our clients are most of the largest investment banks.
- Collegial and intelligent.
- Excellent place to work, top of the high yield debt market. People here genuinely want you to succeed.
- One of the best places to do litigation in NYC.
- I would describe this firm as having a very welcoming and friendly culture. I would also note that everything I was told about this firm during the interview process was true, and do not feel misled about anything (hours, culture, etc.).

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- Has a top notch corporate group and excellent people at the firm.
- Heavy finance and capital markets work that is extremely fast-paced. Lots of hands on experience from day one.
- I would describe this firm as a true free market system. I received 90% of my work/assignments because I requested them.
- Great culture. Attorneys and staff are very friendly and helpful!
- It's a great firm with a great environment that provides great work opportunities.
- It's the best firm. The best people, the best pay, the best work. Everyone here wants you to succeed; there are no stupid questions. You'll work directly with partners as well as associates, and everyone's door is open to you. The atmosphere is very laid back, and you are treated as an adult - as long as you get your work done, and done well, you'll receive as much responsibility and additional opportunities as you want.
- Laid back, collegial environment. Hard-working and very smart folks.
- Lender-side, laid back, plenty of opportunity, excellent place to start.
- Most of the associates and partners are approachable, helpful, and great to work with. People work hard, but the firm also treats you like a human being and cares about work/life balance. The lawyers here are quite straightforward, and the firm values independence.
- Finance powerhouse.
- Prestigious, hard-working, collegial
- Real work with people who are extremely personable.
- Relaxed work environment that translates into capital market excellence.
- Strong corporate practice. Collegial. Very likeable people.
- The best firm in New York hands down.
- A firm with a great sense of community that partakes in a lot of meaningful work for some of Wall Street's biggest players.
- A diamond in the rough.
- This firm is wonderful. The free market system gives you the opportunity to forge your own practice and work with the people you work best with. The firm is relaxed, utterly unpretentious and amazing at what they do.