Camille Gibeault Recognized as 2026 Rising Star by Fund Finance Association

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Haynes Boone Finance Associate **Camille Gibeault** has been named a 2026 Rising Star by the Fund Finance Association (FFA).

The FFA selects honorees whose achievements, innovation and leadership are helping shape the future of the fund finance industry. This year's recipients were selected from a competitive pool of global nominations and recognized for their client service, inclusion, mentorship and active engagement with the FFA network.

Gibeault is an associate in Haynes Boone's **Finance Practice Group**, located in the firm's Austin office. She has broad lending experience, including in subscription finance, syndicated lending, acquisition finance, leveraged finance and asset-based lending.

The FFA featured a Q&A with Gibeault in their announcement. Read an excerpt below.

Q: What first sparked your interest in fund finance?

A: I have practiced finance throughout my legal career, initially in a broader practice that included significant leveraged-finance experience. When I lateraled to Haynes Boone, luck would have it that a major fund finance industry event took place on my second day at the firm. I met several members of our fund finance team and soon began working with them. I was immediately drawn to the complexity of the fund structures, the nuances of the collateral package and the novel investor issues that arise in these transactions. Just as importantly, I enjoyed the collaborative nature of the team and the broader fund finance community. From there, my practice steadily shifted toward fund finance, and the variety and sophistication of the work continue to keep me engaged.

Q: In what ways have you contributed to the growth or development of others in the industry?

A: I try to invest meaningfully in the development of associates by making myself available for questions, providing detailed instructions and feedback, and explaining how their assignments fit into the broader transaction. I believe associates learn and grow more effectively when they understand the bigger picture, particularly when approaching a complex task for the first time. At the same time, I encourage associates to take ownership of their work and individual workstreams, with the assurance that I remain available as a resource. As the mother of a

young child, I also make a particular effort to support expecting associates as they prepare for parental leave and transition back to work. Hearing that associates appreciate the time and effort I invest in their development is one of the most rewarding aspects of my practice.

Q: How do you engage with your community or causes you care about?

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A: Much of my community engagement centers on mentorship, including mentoring first-year law students and supporting junior attorneys as they build their careers. I am also involved in pro bono work and am currently helping a group of ninth-grade students in the Austin area with their nonprofit organization.

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