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Danielle Corcione is a law firm executive, trial lawyer, former federal prosecutor, and founder of Unapologetically First, a leadership and wellbeing platform focused on aligned ambition, sustainable excellence, and leading without self-abandonment. She serves as Chair of the Litigation Department at CSG Law and is a twice-elected member of the firm's Executive Committee. Danielle has led high-stakes investigations, tried federal cases, advised executives, boards, companies, and institutions, and served as in-house counsel in the beauty industry. She is also an adjunct professor at Seton Hall Law School, where she teaches mindfulness, wellness, and aligned ambition as professional competencies.

WHO INFLUENCED YOU THE MOST?

Careers are long and I have been blessed throughout my 21 years of practicing law to have been guided and developed at every stage of my career. Fran Hauser, Karyn Polak, Jeff Chiesa and Frank Giantomasi are names that immediately come to mind and I am a better lawyer and person because of their friendship and support.

WHAT DOES WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT MEAN TO YOU?

The professional systems women operate within were not designed for them. I believe that changing the rules of engagement is mission critical to keeping women in the workforce in meaningful and fulfilling ways. Treating wellness as a professional competency is the best way for women to thrive.

HOW ARE YOU SUPPORTING THE NEXT GENERATION OF FEMALE LEADERS?

I work daily to embody leadership centered on kindness, well-being, excellence and ambition. A leadership model where motherhood is celebrated rather than tolerated and an abundance mindset and attention to individual energy culminate in outstanding teams doing great work. I am disrupting outdated leadership models that rely on self-abandonment and burnout. I believe in helping other women step into their next level of success by teaching them to put themselves Unapologetically First. Only when women have the scaffolding they need to thrive will success be sustainable. I purposefully refer work to other women and ensure the next generation of female leaders understand the business of law.

WHAT IS THE BEST ADVICE YOU HAVE EVER RECEIVED?

Trust your intuition, it is always right.

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