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The Mostly Legal Podcast: Episode 3 "Working With Friends"

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Everyone knows you should always maintain a professional relationship with your coworkers, but what happens when your coworker also happens to be a great friend? From a floating Walmart to comfortable tensions, Rob and Amanda speak with long-time friends Tina Terrian (Executive Director at Pirkey Barber PLLC) and Chris Sims (Director of Finance at Pirkey Barber PLLC) to explore the dynamics of a friendship that defies the odds in an industry that can leave you feeling rather lonely – not to mention a discovery about the true difference between casinos in Vegas and the ones on cruises. And if we were betting folks, we'd bet that you didn't know this either.

About the Guests

Tina Terrian

Executive Director, Pirkey Barber PLLC

Tina Terrian is the Executive Director for Pirkey Barber PLLC, one of the largest US firms practicing exclusively in trademark, copyright, and unfair competition law. Tina is SHRM-CP certified and a certified Professional in Human Resources with a BA in Psychology. She has over 25 years of experience in office management, business operations, consulting, and leadership.

Tina enjoys a peaceful life in the Texas hill country with her husband, son, and new puppy Oliver.

Chris Sims

Director of Finance, Pirkey Barber PLLC

Chris Sims is the Director of Finance for Pirkey Barber PLLC. His primary focus is the strategic direction of the firm working closely with the Management and Finance Committees to further the business of law. In his toolbox: cash management; budgets and forecasts; compensation; trust accounting; technology integration; banking relationships; financing mechanisms; and risk management.

Chris earned a Bachelor of Business Administration – Finance from the University of North Texas in Denton and is a Texas Certified Public Accountant. He is a member in the Association of Legal Administrators where he served on the Board of Directors for the Austin Chapter most recently as President, President-Elect, and Treasurer.

Beyond the fascinating world of accounting and finance, Chris enjoys spending time with his better half of 21 years, traveling, and snow skiing.









Episode Resources

Pirkey Barber PLLC

Austin Chapter of ALA

Chapter Leadership Institute (CLI)

Charities and Organizations:

- Mobile Loaves and Fishes
- Vivent Health (formerly AIDS Services of Austin)

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Thanks for tuning in! Join us next week for Episode 4 with Debra Elsbury and Michael Bumgarner!

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