NJBIZ Winners Circle Honoree

Individual

NJBIZ AWARD RECOGNITION: BEST 50 WOMEN IN BUSINESS (2011)

June Manderwies

Executive Director and Chief Operating OfficerGibbons P.C.

Newark, Essex County



Holding the highest non-attorney position at Gibbons,
Inderwies began at the firm 35 years ago as a paralegal
and has since risen through the ranks while guiding the firm through two decades
of tremendous growth. Currently, she is responsible for facilities operation and
personnel management for approximately 300 employees in eight offices spanning
five states and Washington, D.C.

What have you learned since winning your award? I have learned to always expect the unexpected. If the past two years have taught me anything, it's that you can never be too prepared. During my time at Gibbons, our world has been through significant, life-changing events, and I never take for granted how we as a firm have survived them all.

Where has your career taken you since you were honored? While I have remained in the same position at the same company since I was honored, many of my responsibilities have vastly changed in the last decade, and I have been privileged to handle some of the most important issues facing our firm. Over the past two years, for example, I was part of the management team tasked with creating the plan to transition our workforce of 300 employees to entirely remote operations and then to a hybrid work model.

In what ways do you currently volunteer within the community? I dedicate a significant amount of time to community outreach, overseeing "Gibbons Cares," which annually donates more than \$1 million and extensive volunteer service to support the communities in which the firm resides. I also oversee the firm's various internship programs and coordinate its back-to-school backpack, school supplies, and holiday toy drives for local children.