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Maria Krokidas Discusses the Future of Work and Leadership at the Boston Club



The Boston Club program panel for the April 24, 2012 Distinguished Leadership Series. From left to right: Danielle Sheer (Carbonite); Bernice Cramer; Jane Hiscock (Farland Group), evening Moderator; Maria Krokidas; Maureen Alphonse-Charles (City Year).

Boston (April 24, 2012) – Maria Krokidas shared her experiences and perspective as founding partner of the Boston law firm of Krokidas & Bluestein LLP in a panel discussion entitled *The Future of Work and Leadership: A Cross-generational Discussion* sponsored by the Boston Club. The program, part of the Boston Club’s Distinguished Leaders Series, included three other women leaders and moderator Jane Hiscock, and addressed the complexities of leadership, technology and hyper-connectivity, time and time management, leading and mentoring, relationships and family, and assessing and dealing with failure. Reflecting on her decision to found the firm, Ms. Krokidas stressed what “I believe were the vital

qualities necessary to take the plunge: a desire to self-determine and be in control combined with a strong stomach for risk-taking, a vision, and a passion to attain that vision.”

As founding partner of Krokidas & Bluestein, leader of the firm’s transactional practice, and active Boston Club member, Ms. Krokidas has mentored and advocated for women for over 35 years. She described the panel’s goal as “an opportunity for different generations to learn from each other” and viewed the discussion as beneficial not only to the attendees, but to the participants. “We did this and all benefited. I hope I will be a better leader and mentor as a result.”

In her law practice, Ms. Krokidas represents for profit, non-profit and public entities in real estate, finance and corporate matters. She also counsels for profit, non-profit and quasi-public authorities on all matters relating to corporate organization and operations including statutory and regulatory compliance and implementation.

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