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20 Questions with Michelle Zaltsberg

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Our Women's Initiative Orlando Office Leader, Michelle Zaltsberg, answered 20 questions that make us want to grab a box of brownie mix and head to her house for dinner and binge-watching her favorite shows.



1. If you weren't a lawyer, what would you be? A cookbook editor

2. What are the three qualities that got you where you are today? Intelligence, curiosity, and fear of failure (but it didn't hurt that I come from a family of lawyers and court reporters)

3. What was the moment you felt you made it? Paying off my student loans!

4. What change would you like to see in the legal industry? More gender equality in the upper ranks

5. How did you make your first dollar? As a hostess at the Bimini Bay Café at SeaWorld Orlando at age 15

6. What was the last thing you binge-watched?

The Crown and currently in season five of The Americans

7. What book left a lasting impression on you?

I loved Unbroken by Laura Hillenbrand

8. What movie has the greatest ending?

My favorite movie, You've Got Mail

9. What food are you not ashamed to admit you love?

Wise brand Cheese Doodles, which I seldom allow myself to eat, because once I start, I cannot stop

10. If you could live abroad, where would it be? Paris

11. What is one thing you're exceptionally good at? Carving a roast chicken

12. What is one thing you're epically bad at?

Singing. I couldn't carry a tune in a bucket

13. What superhero power would you want to have?

Stopping time

14. What is something that's better in theory than in practice? Made from scratch brownies – nothing beats the box

15. What store can you not leave without buying something? Target is the obvious, but very true, answer

16. How do you clear your mind after a bad day? Hanging out with my 2-year-old daughter

17. If you could compete in an Olympic sport, what would it be? Figure skating

18. What are three qualities you thought you wanted in a partner? Intelligence, a sense of humor, and ambition

19. What are three qualities you now know matter?

Kindness, patience, and intellectual curiosity

20. What relationship advice would you give to your younger self?

Spend more time having fun with your girlfriends and less time worrying about relationships