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Announcements

### KPMG Executive Recognized with Work Life Award

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KPMG's own **Barbara Wankoff**, Director, Workplace Solutions, has been honored by the Families and Work Institute and Bright Horizons Family Solutions as the 2010 recipient of the Chris C. Kjeldsen Work Life Legacy Award. The award, which was created in memory of Johnson & Johnson executive and pioneering work life advocate Chris Kjeldsen, is given each year to a leader, innovator, and practitioner in the field of work-life, who exemplifies his spirit and dedication.

At Johnson & Johnson, Kjeldsen served as vice president of community and workplace programs from 1994 until his death in 2003. A champion of working families, he drove the creation of and oversaw Johnson & Johnson's on-site child care facilities, elder care services and a variety of programs to help employees manage their work and personal lives. He was also a nationally recognized expert on corporate dependent child and elder care programs, and was honored by *Working Mother* magazine as a leader in the battle for better quality child care and work family programs.

Throughout her 25-year career as an HR professional, Barbara has used her knowledge and experience to help companies develop a wide range of work-life programs. She joined KPMG's Center for Learning and Development in 2000, and in 2003, moved to the role of Director, Workplace Solutions, to manage a wide range of initiatives focused on our commitment to being an employer of choice.

A champion for alternative work arrangements, Barbara has been instrumental in the development and implementation of a wide range of KPMG work life initiatives, including [mentoring](#), [Volunteer Time Release \(VTR\)](#), shared back-up [child](#) and [elder care](#), and more. She also co-chairs Montvale's Involve program, and sits on the board of KPMG's Disabilities Network, which she helped launch.

Her achievements were highlighted June 14 during the Families and Work Institute's annual Work Life Legacy Award dinner, held in New York. Also honored that evening were Richard Clark, chairman and CEO of Merck; T. Berry Brazelton, M.D. and Professor of Pediatrics Emeritus at Harvard Medical School; and Admiral Michael Mullen, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the highest-ranking officer in the U.S. Armed Forces, and President Obama's principal military advisor.

A video of Barbara that was featured at the dinner is available [here](#). You can also read a full transcript of Barbara's interview with Families and Work Institute President and Co-Founder Ellen Galinsky. Learn more about Barbara's fellow honorees [here](#).



Barbara Wankoff, director, Workplace Solutions, pictured with Bruce Pfau, vice chair, HR, at the Work Life Legacy Awards dinner, after receiving the 2010 Work Life Legacy Award.

Approved By Bruce Pfau