

#In10Tweets: Microsoft Assistant General Counsel Dennis Garcia

Technology, Privacy, and eCommerce



Microsoft Assistant General Counsel Dennis Garcia has many roles — including an active Twitter user. Even though Twitter is an established social media platform, many lawyers still don't have a strong Twitter presence. We want to inspire more in-house counsel to use this platform to help them advance their career.

Twitter can help you discover the latest legal developments, share your thoughts on the latest legal trends, or share tidbits about who you are and what you're passionate about — all things potential employers and recruiters look for. To demonstrate Twitter's versatility and usefulness, here are 10 of Garcia's best tweets.

He is a devoted family man. No matter what, he prioritizes spending time with his family, including his young son. Garcia also supports lifting the stigma of paternity leave in professional industries, including the legal industry.

Fun @EIConResort #PuertoRico ?? pic.twitter.com/WM1nCaNf0y

— Dennis Garcia ? (@DennisCGarcia) April 11, 2017

He has been a proud member of Microsoft's Corporate, External & Legal Affairs (CELA) team for over 14 years. Garcia practices at the intersection of law and technology and has deep and wide knowledge of both — increasingly disruptive — industries.

Excited to attend the MSFT Corporate, External & Legal Affairs (CELA) Summit in Bellevue, WA this week & here's a pic w/ 2015 Summit t-shirt <u>pic.twitter.com/lw3OO69zwY</u>

— Dennis Garcia ? (@DennisCGarcia) April 30, 2017

Garcia is a vocal advocate for advancing diversity and inclusion in the legal profession. From diversity in law school admissions to more inclusive hiring practices at law firms, he is actively supporting and pursuing a more diverse legal profession.

I really enjoyed talking about the importance of <u>#Diversity</u> & <u>#Inclusion</u> in the legal profession today <u>@2Civility</u> <u>#TheFutureIsNow</u> conf! <u>pic.twitter.com/ljXpEVxZzV</u>

— Dennis Garcia ? (@DennisCGarcia) May 18, 2017

He is passionate about lawyers embracing social media — and with 1300 Twitter followers, Garcia surely knows what he's talking about. His Twitter feed shows a range of content, from personal family snapshots to professional pursuits, advocacy, and opinions.

Pls check out my FB live interview about using <u>#socialmedia</u>, etc.. w/ <u>@kevinokeefe</u> two weeks ago <u>@LMAintl Conf:https://t.co/R2iUB76acK</u>

— Dennis Garcia ? (@DennisCGarcia) April 11, 2017

He is a huge baseball fan — even his Twitter header is baseball-themed. As a native New Yorker, it's no surprise that the New York Yankees are his favorite baseball team.

Don't mess with Little Jeter & his coach of the 5 year old @OzParkBaseball <u>@Yankees</u> on opening day! <u>#LittleDerekJeter</u> #2 <u>pic.twitter.com/ge2bNOVTCb</u>

— Dennis Garcia ? (@DennisCGarcia) April 24, 2017

He is a contributor to *Bloomberg Law Big Law Business* and *Chicago Lawyer* magazine. This is another great example of how lawyers can use Twitter and social media — by sharing his articles on Twitter, Garcia can open the dialogue and keep the conversation going.

Please check out my latest <u>@BigLawBiz</u> article on <u>#Lawyers</u> & <u>#CustomerObsession</u> <u>#customerfirst</u> <u>#customerservice</u> <u>https://t.co/qbu7XPeoJf</u>

— Dennis Garcia ? (@DennisCGarc	ia) April 25, 2017
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Garcia views himself as an ambassador for Microsoft and enjoys evangelizing how their solutions enable everyone to achieve more. With his consistent positive Twitter presence, he is a valuable ambassador for the brand, without seeming insincere or commercial.

This is one of my favorite books of all time! #MicrosoftCloud #Office365 #Azure #CloudForGlobalGood pic.twitter.com/PbDpYhhaUY

— Dennis Garcia ? (@DennisCGarcia) May 22, 2017

Garcia speaks at external conferences and events on a variety of topics — and when he isn't speaking, he's attending. He has established himself as an expert on a variety of topics, both tech and legal.

I'm excited to moderate a panel on "Compliant <u>#CloudComputing</u>" today <u>@complianceweek</u> 2017 in Washington, DC <u>#CW2017</u> <u>#GDPR pic.twitter.com/wvSnilyZel</u>

— Dennis Garcia ? (@DennisCGarcia) May 23, 2017

Garcia serves on the board of directors of Illinois Legal Aid Online (ILAO) and strongly believes that we need to improve access to justice and affordable legal services. He proudly uses his Twitter platform to advocate for these causes.

Proud to be on the Host Committee for <u>@ILAO</u> Gala on May 11th <u>@SPiNWindyCity</u> & that <u>#Microsoft</u> is a Trend Setter sponsor <u>#accesstojustice pic.twitter.com/lsNnbbNe5a</u>

— Dennis Garcia ? (@DennisCGarcia) April 18, 2017

He is a privacy and cybersecurity leader and often shares content, including original articles and interviews. Garcia is focused on the future of cybersecurity and the role of cybersecurity in an overall corporate strategy.

Please check out Part 2 of my interview with <u>@ericpesale</u> <u>@logikcull</u> about <u>#lawfirms</u> & <u>#CyberSecurity</u>: <u>https://t.co/1SZnOa9oSJ</u>

— Dennis Garcia ? (@DennisCGarcia) April 15, 2017

Through just 10 Tweets, it's easy to get a great grasp of who Garcia is. Follow Garcia on Twitter at opennisCGarcia for more tweets from this tech and legal industry expert, avid social justice and diversity advocate, brand ambassador, Yankees fan, and proud husband and father.

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Mack is also an award-winning (such as the prestigious ACC 2018 Top 10 30-Somethings and ABA 2022 Women of Legal Tech) general counsel, operations professional, startup advisor, public speaker, adjunct professor, and entrepreneur. She co-founded SunLaw, an organization dedicated to preparing women in-house attorneys to become general counsels and legal leaders, and WISE to help female law firm partners become rainmakers.

She has authored numerous books, including Get on Board: Earning Your Ticket to a Corporate Board Seat, Fundamentals of Smart Contract Security and Blockchain Value: Transforming Business Models, Society, and Communities. She is working on her next books: Visual IQ for Lawyers (ABA 2024), The Rise of Product Lawyers: An Analytical Framework to Systematically Advise Your Clients Throughout the Product Lifecycle (Globe Law and Business 2024), and Legal Operations in the Age of AI and Data (Globe Law and Business 2024).

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