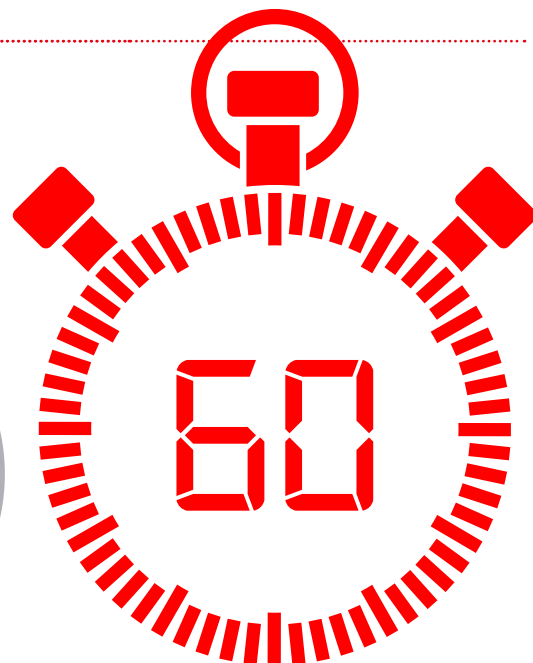


# 60-SECONDS WITH:

## ANTONIA ARGYROU PARTNER N. PIRILIDES & ASSOCIATES



**Q** Imagine you no longer have to work. How would you spend your weekdays?

**A** My weekdays would definitely include running by the sea during sunrise time, followed by some iced coffee, ceramic workshops and many road trips around the island with my Labrador, Manos.

**Q** What do you see as the most rewarding thing about your job?

**A** That feeling of satisfaction when I see my clients smiling proudly after a successful cross-examination or after achieving a positive outcome for their problems.

**Q** What's the strangest, most exciting thing you have done in your career?

**A** Issuing an ex-parte interim injunction during the first days of lockdown in March 2020, wearing a facemask and hygiene gloves, spraying my files and pens with antiseptic spray in the Courtroom!

**Q** What is one work related goal you would like to achieve in the next five years?

**A** Build an even stronger professional network outside Cyprus and meeting colleagues who aim to leave their mark in the legal profession.

**Q** What is the most significant trend in your practice today?

**A** The recent introduction of new Civil Procedures Rules in Cyprus which provide for new – and very interesting – mechanisms and tools to be used by Cypriot legal practitioners, such as the issue of free-standing injunctions.

**Q** What book do you think everyone should read, and why?

**A** *The Kite Runner* by Khaled Hosseini, a beautiful book which offers valuable life lessons about redemption, courage, forgiveness, friendship and love. Highly recommended to everyone!

**Q** Dead or alive, which famous person would you most like to have dinner with, and why?

**A** Frida Kahlo, as one of the most inspiring female figures that admire for her views and art work. I would be very curious to find out the reason behind her numerous (over 50) self-portraits!

**Q** What is the best film of all time?

**A** *Forrest Gump*; feels like being on a roller coaster of emotions, especially reminding you about the simple things in life that actually matter and how an innocent soul may impact so many other people's lives.

**Q** What legacy would you hope to leave behind?

**A** I would like to be remembered as the person who fearlessly and bravely chased her dreams and passions.

**Q** Where has been your favorite holiday destination and why?

**A** Wadi Rum, Jordan. Living at the desert was a once in a lifetime experience and I would never be able to get over the unique beauty of such a surreal landscape!

**Q** Do you have any hidden talents?

**A** During my free time I am drawing and painting and I am currently working on a collection with fashionable elderly ladies and men together with their pets (cats, dogs, parrots or even chickens), using pen markers and acrylic.

**Q** What piece of advice would you give to your younger self?

**A** "Stress less, always listen to your instinct, and never be scared stepping outside your comfort zone!"

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