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# Hollywood's New Leaders of 2021

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As the industry moves cautiously into a post-pandemic new normal, a fresh generation of leaders is poised to embrace innovation. These individuals — whose careers have been forged in some of Hollywood's darkest days — are prepared to take on the challenges wrought by the lockdown, including the assertion of streaming, the re-calibration of the theatrical experience, and economic uncertainty.



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## Sloan Whiteside-Munteanu

### Attorney, Del Shaw Moonves Tanaka Finkelstein & Lezcano (30)

A self-described queer Black woman with occasional bouts of imposter syndrome, Whiteside-Munteanu strives to bolster her clients' self-worth by reminding them they deserve success and respect for their accomplishments. She views each deal for clients — including DC's new Supergirl Sasha Calle, bestselling author Akwaeke Emezi and "Empire Waist" co-creators Claire Ayoub and Crystal Collins — as an opportunity to build the future.

**Giving voice to voices:** "Oftentimes, the people I represent have had their voices forcibly silenced," she says, "so I'm