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Jose Villarreal and Valeska Pederson Hintz Quoted in ABA Journal—Keep Austin Wired: Driven by a Tech Boom, Lawyers are Flocking to Austin, Texas

Jose Villarreal and Valeska Pederson Hintz quoted in, "Keep Austin Wired: Driven by a Tech Boom, Lawyers are Flocking to Austin, Texas", an <u>ABA Journal</u> regarding how Austin has become a vibrant and mature tech hub as well as a place for startups, medium-size companies and large global corporation.

"Before, it was really hard to do my practice here, and now it's not," Valeska Pederson Hintz says. Also, the COVID-19 pandemic has changed how companies and lawyers work; they don't have to be in Silicon Valley anymore. "Silicon Valley is a mecca, but I don't think it's the only one," she says.

"The momentum Austin has is quite significant," Jose Villarreal says. "Austin was always known as a tech place. Five or so years ago, we crossed a threshold where there is so much tech talent and so much VC capital, the ecosystem just matured. It matured into an adult that is very active, vigorous. The venture capitalists are looking at Austin as a mature market, and that's going to carry Austin forward."

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