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A particularly stern reprimand from Fordham Law School towards the fancy-pants firm of Reed Smith LLP. And on top of that, they are banned from recruiting on campus for five years! That will teach them!

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By Cynthia Cotts

Fordham Law School, one of the 15 most-selective U.S. law schools, banned international law firm Reed Smith LLP from recruiting on the New York campus for five years.

Reed Smith canceled fall interviews at Fordham at the last minute, after announcing its intention to conduct the interviews and receiving an interview schedule, Fordham Dean William Treanor wrote in an e-mail yesterday to students.

“In my seven years as dean, no other firm has canceled its interviews after the schedule was released,” Treanor wrote. “At Fordham Law, we require our students to conduct themselves with the utmost professionalism, and we expect employers to demonstrate the same high standards.”

Early this year, the largest U.S. law firms began firing junior lawyers, delaying the start dates of first-year associates and revamping compensation models. Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP and Morgan, Lewis & Bockius LLP have said they won't hire students for summer jobs in 2010.