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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Making predictions is a core element of an analyst's work. Throughout the year, BIA/Kelsey analysts do just that, mapping the future of the local media and advertising landscape. It happens both quantitatively in forecasts and qualitatively through predicting products and company outcomes.

Every fall, BIA/Kelsey analysts huddle to create a more formal list of predictions for the coming year. This is intended to cap off the year and provide talking points for the year-ending conference, [BIA/Kelsey NEXT](#). It's also meant to provide the BIA/Kelsey community with a key planning tool for the year that follows.

This document contains detailed 2017 predictions from across BIA/Kelsey's coverage areas. In addition to sections divided by analyst, you'll find a top ten list of predictions from our team. Together, these provide a highlight reel of the collective analyst viewpoint.

Meanwhile, the prediction process will be ongoing, carrying forward in 2017 day-to-day analyst coverage. Consider this report a snapshot that will evolve throughout the year. We expect there to be no shortage of fodder in this transformative period of technology and media.

MEET THE ANALYSTS



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TOP TEN ANALYST PREDICTIONS FOR 2017



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Michael Boland



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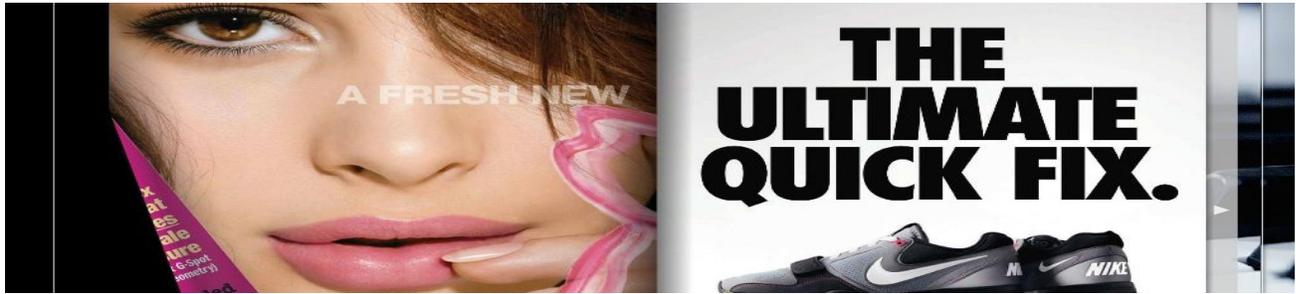


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Celine Matthiessen



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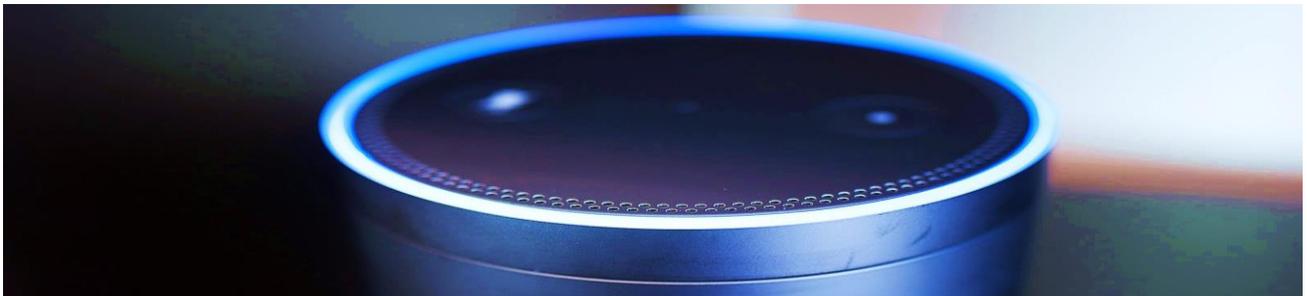


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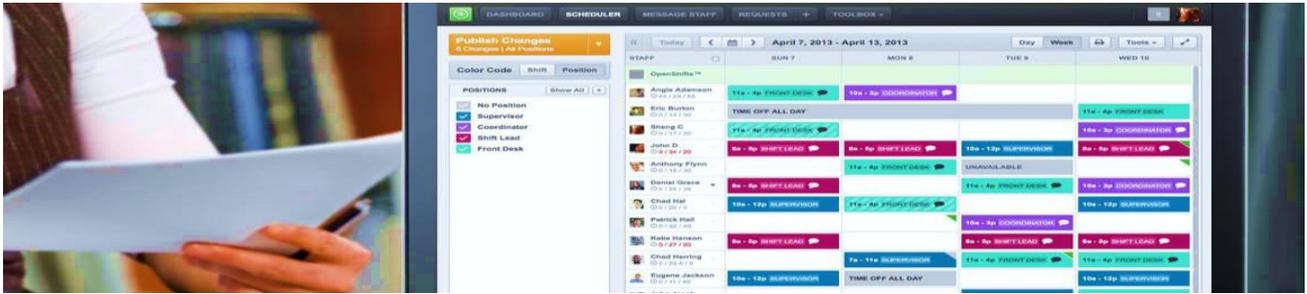


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Chatbots and conversational commerce will grow into a meaningful local commerce channel, especially for simple consumer requests such as appointment scheduling. Bots and conversational commerce won't be the dominating force that their 2016 hype cycle suggests. 2017 mobile messaging revenue in the U.S. will total roughly \$630 million (2 percent of U.S. mobile ad spending), which includes sponsored/paid placements in conversational commerce and chatbot interfaces. Consumers — driven by a human need to converse — will opt instead to call businesses in most cases, meaning voice will sustain its position as a primary local commerce modality. This will especially be the

case in high-value verticals with complexity and high-consideration cycles (autos, financial services and health care). Global click-to-call spending will exceed \$8 billion.

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Software, Publishing, On-Demand Economy

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billion, or 4.4 percent of the addressable market of \$510 billion. Half that revenue was attributable to Uber. By the end of 2016, as more consumers are able to easily access on-demand services, actual spending will grow by more than 160 percent to approximately \$36 billion as formal "gig" work becomes institutionalized. BIA/Kelsey estimates the 2016 addressable market for on-demand market solutions is \$660 billion

based on the total percentage of U.S. adults who can conveniently access on-demand services in the industries currently providing household services, including home cleaning, cooking and driving.

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On-demand work will continue to rise. A quarter of Americans have earned income in 2016 from the “gig” and “sharing” economy — both components of the local on-demand shift — according to Pew Research Center (November 2016). As e-commerce has taken almost two decades to reach 10 percent of total retail sales, social commerce and on-demand services are at an early, pivotal moment when brands have the opportunity to consolidate long-term engagements with large populations of workers and entrepreneurs seeking new outlets for their labor. This market will mature faster, as innovation acceleration creates more efficiency in marketing, advertising and listing performance. Current market penetration for all on-demand services is 4.4 percent, which will rise to 11.3 percent by 2019.

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Business freelancing among senior executives and director-level workers will grow substantially in the next three years. Logistics and enterprise resource planning capabilities allow businesses to compartmentalize projects and outsource them more effectively. A boom in on-demand business services will drive more than \$600 million in freelance work within large enterprises by 2020. In 2016 BIA/Kelsey estimates that approximately \$150 million in project-based revenue shifted from traditional employment models to project-based compensation. These prosperous home-based workers will, in turn, demand more in-home services, including personal and business experiences. Ultimately, on-demand work is a lifestyle that is only starting to take shape.

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Despite Hibu's two bankruptcy filings this year and Dex Media's fifth reorganization, the Yellow Pages industry keeps transforming to offset print losses through decentralized operations that focus on vertical industry, country or consumer opportunities. Yellow Pages is not dead in the water, but to grow it needs to continue to evolve and stay competitive. BIA/Kelsey's Local Commerce Monitor (LCM) (Wave 20, Q3/2017) shows that most SMBs use print Yellow Pages year over year and report that they maintain their spend on print even while increasing their digital spend. Yellow Pages companies are compensating for print declines through digital, and in our local media forecast Internet Yellow Pages is set to grow 3.4 percent between 2015 and 2020. Some ways this is happening: YP divided its print from digital operations and continues to build a strong mobile local presence with \$1 billion in digital sales annually; Dex is betting on

marketing automation platform DexHub to manage digital; print advertising company Berry has acquired several companies and rebranded as Vivial to become a digital agency where print is part of the diverse offering; and Hibu reports 55 percent of current revenue is from digital services and is focusing on countries (U.K., Spain) where it can grow through local, as well as becoming the first traditional media Facebook marketing partner for SMBs. Yellow Pages companies will keep offsetting print revenue with digital by maintaining their focus on being the most able to provide a local audience for advertisers through their owned and operated networks.

Franchises will continue to be early adopters of new technology and marketing.

They are a gold mine for marketing automation, investing heavily to compete

successfully for local customers. Franchises are on the leading edge of consumer trends and keep up with where their customers are on digital. In fact, their awareness of technology tools and new technology for marketing is higher than an average SMB in our survey. For example, 53 percent of franchises already use beacon technology, and a quarter use beacons on products in store. Additionally, they use customer data, including point-of-sale information, for marketing at a higher rate (40 percent) than a typical small business. This early adoption will continue, and we will see some of the newer marketing tools and tech grow thanks to this group of SMBs. We will see franchises adopt virtual reality and other newer marketing. Franchises will continue to drive new ad tech adoption with a quarter of them using virtual reality and other new ad tech including live social video in 2017.



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The mood of the country will shift as a result of underlying economic, demographic,

social, cultural and technological changes. In sum, these factors impact differentially at a local level. As Tip O'Neill, former Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives, once observed, "all politics is local." Marketers seeking to create a unified customer experience with their brands increasingly are realizing they must factor in local signals in developing consumer profiles. They ignore the relevance of local at their peril. We expect to see resurgence in campaigns optimized for local signals. Overall, BIA/Kelsey forecasts the increase in spend from national marketers targeting local audiences to be more than \$17 billion in the 2016-2021 period.

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Media and marketing firms want more integration and common platforms in their advertising and marketing technology. This will drive the M&A market and inform product strategies for companies developing integrated suites of products and services to increase acceptance of their platforms. But as we saw with Facebook, Amazon, Google, PayPal and other major platform companies, it takes a lot of velocity to escape the gravity of these big players. Strategies like Adobe's acquisition of TubeMogul, Microsoft's purchase of LinkedIn, and Verizon's acquisition of AOL and possibly Yahoo are directed at creating new platforms offering economies of scope

and scale. We expect to see Salesforce look for something on the order of the LinkedIn deal that Microsoft won to build out its social platform. IBM is on a data tear and may be making some more consolidating

acquisitions in this space, like its Weather Co. purchase. Finally, SintecMedia just finished its purchase of ad technology firm Operative and may not be done shopping.



Broadcast, Competitive Media

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The provision of "skinny bundles" and consumers opting to "cut the cord" will negatively affect the cable/satellite business during the next five years, with a possible benefit accruing to local television broadcasters. Those consumers will have fewer cable networks to choose from and could easily start watching more local broadcast programming, so long as they are equipped with receivers connected to digital antennas.

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more important to local radio stations searching for revenue streams to replace the stagnant OTA revenue. Utilizing their local assets allows broadcasters to develop these business lines. For some radio broadcasters, event-related revenue streams could be as much as 20 percent to 25 percent of their total revenue.

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ABOUT BIA/KELSEY



BIA/Kelsey is a market research and analyst firm that focuses on all things local. Local media is an increasingly dynamic area of ad spending and is quickly evolving with emerging digital platforms like mobile, social and search.

Over three decades, BIA/Kelsey has been an authority on these developing technologies as well as their forbearers in traditional media, which continue to transform as they likewise compete for local ad dollars and consumer affinity.

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