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Diana Gomez named President-Elect of the Houston Bar Association

Chamberlain Hrdlicka Shareholder Diana Gomez has been named the 2022-2023 President-Elect of the Houston Bar Association

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Diana Gomez, shareholder in Chamberlain Hrdlicka's Houston office, has been named the 2022-2023 President-Elect by the Houston Bar Association (HBA). In 2023, Diana will be the first Latina to assume the HBA presidency. Diana and her husband, Judge Michael Gomez, were also recently recognized in the HBA's *Houston Lawyer Magazine's* Profile in Professionalism: Law in the Family series for their dedication to the Bar and the Community.

Diana serves on the firm's Board of Directors, as the national co-chair for the labor and employment practice, as well as the national chair for the Pro Bono Committee. With extensive experience in civil lawsuits in state and federal courts, she focuses on complex labor and employment disputes by providing a full range of employment law services, including pre-termination counseling, investigations, EEO training, handbook review, drafting of policies, defense in administrative proceedings (EEOC charges, unemployment hearings) and arbitrations, as well as handling all aspects of trial, from pre-suit through appeal. Diana has successfully defended all types of employment law matters in state and federal court including claims involving non-competes, discrimination, retaliation, FLSA, and ERISA.

In recognition of her professional accomplishments and community involvement, Diana has recently been named one of "Houston's 50 Most Influential Women of 2020-21" by *Houston Woman Magazine*. She was also among the featured conversationalists during the 25th Annual Table Talk Luncheon, hosted by the University of Houston. Earlier this year, she was also invited to serve as a mentor during the 9th annual Bizwomen Mentoring Monday, held concurrently by the Houston Business Journal and sister publications in 40+ markets nationwide, offering career coaching to some 10,000 women looking to advance their careers.

Diana holds a bachelor's degree in political science from Texas A&M University and received her law degree from the University of Texas at Austin. Very involved in the legal community, she is a co-chair for District Four of the Texas Bar Foundation. As President-Elect, she sits on the Board of Directors of the HBA, and also serves as chair of the Judicial Polls Committee and the Employment and Personnel Committee. She has previously served in numerous other HBA committee chair positions and volunteer roles, including the County Law Library Committee, the Law and the Media Committee, the Dispute Resolution Committee, the Administration of Justice Committee for the Criminal District/Appellate Bench Bar Conference, and the Harvest Celebration Fundraising Committee. She is the past president of the Hispanic Bar

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Association of Houston, where she currently sits on the Board of Directors. She has also served on the Board of Directors for the Mexican-American Bar Association of Houston, as a member of the Harris County Bench Bar Pro Bono Awards Committee, and as a committee member for the inaugural and second Southern District of Texas Houston/Galveston Bench-Bar Conferences. Furthermore, she has also served on the Board of Directors for the Houston Zoo Development Corporation.

Recipient of many accolades, Diana has been named to the Texas Super Lawyers list by Super Lawyers® consecutively every year since 2013 and was among the Texas Super Lawyers 2020 Top Women. She was named to Best Lawyers in America 2022; selected as a Top Lawyer in 2019 - 2022 by *Houstonia* Magazine; and received the Latina Lawyer Under 40 Award from the Mexican American Bar Association of Texas Foundation in 2012, the recipient of the HBA's President's Award in 2016 and 2019, the Hispanic Bar Association of Houston's President's Award in 2007, 2009, 2015 and 2019, the Local Heroes Recognition by the Houston Lawyer Magazine in 2009, and the Woodrow B. Seals Outstanding Young Lawyer of Houston Award from Houston Young Lawyers Association in 2008. She is a Life Fellow of the American Bar Foundation, Texas Bar Foundation, and the Houston Bar Foundation.

