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THE CONNECTICUT HISPANIC BAR ASSOCIATION ELECTS NEW OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS

The Connecticut Hispanic Bar Association is pleased to announce its new slate of officers of 2020-2021.

Patricia Jimenez, Associate at Day Pitney LLP, succeeded Sandra L. Fair, Project Manager Attorney, Statewide Legal Services of CT, Inc., as President as of May 11, 2020.

The following individuals were elected to office at the CHBA's annual meeting held virtually on June 20, 2020:

- Gregory Chase, President-Elect, Counsel at Travelers
- Kean Zimmerman, Vice President, Attorney at Tokio Marine HCC
- Charlene Merced, Treasurer, Partner at Pol, Merced & Associates, LLC
- Gabriella Martin, Secretary, Counsel, Connecticut House Democrats
- Andres Jiménez-Franck, Director of Communications, Associate at Pullman & Comley LLC

"I am honored to serve as the 2020-2021 Connecticut Hispanic Bar Association President," said Ms. Jimenez. "We are facing unprecedented challenges this year, however, with the help of our newly elected officers and Board members, the CHBA expects to be more active in addressing the issues facing Latino communities. My goal for the upcoming year is to build and expand upon the efforts of those who have previously led this organization. I am looking forward to greater collaborations with organizations with missions that overlap our own and to strengthening collaborations with the other bar associations in an effort to promote diversity and inclusion within our profession."

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The CHBA is also pleased to announce that the following individuals were elected to the Board of Directors: Daniela Aguila, David Salazar-Austin, Marie Bertrand, Marilyn Diaz, Steven Hernandez, William Malpica, Walter Menjivar, Geraldo Parilla, Sonia Pedraza, Leonard Rodriguez, and Diane Rojas.

Directors elected to the CHBA Board in 2019 whose terms continue during the 2020-2021 year are: Maggie Castinado, Alfredo Fernández, Hon. Matthew Dallas Gordon, and Jessica Torres.

In addition, Emilio Estrella, a student at the University of Connecticut School of Law, Kris Perez, a student at Quinnipiac University School of Law and Briana Dawkins, a student at Western New England University School of Law, were appointed to serve as Law Student Division Representatives.

ABOUT THE CHBA: Founded in 1993, the Connecticut Hispanic Bar Association works to enhance the visibility of Hispanic lawyers throughout the state; to facilitate communication and sharing of information and resources among our members; to serve as mentors to new attorneys and law students; and to assist the public and private sectors in achieving diversity in their law firms and legal departments. The CHBA also addresses issues impacting the Hispanic community, such as access to the courts, judicial diversity and other social challenges.