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Liz Lopez is Of Counsel in the Washington, D.C., office of Barnes & Thornburg LLP, where she is a member of the firm's Governmental Services and Finance Department.

Ms. Lopez focuses her practice on the representation of corporations and small businesses before the federal legislative and executive branches in Washington, D.C. Her work on behalf of clients includes areas such as education, employment, energy, financial services, food safety regulations and requirements, healthcare, and telecommunications, among numerous other issues.

Ms. Lopez also conducts outreach to the Congressional Hispanic Caucus (CHC), identifies Latino trends impacting a company's profit-margin, and designs Hispanic-specific service plans for clients interested in outreach to the Hispanic community.

Ms. Lopez has 10 years of private and public sector experience having served as a prosecutor and counsel to *Fortune 500* companies. She has significant trial experience, including prosecution of 19 jury cases and 30 bench trials. She was appointed as Special Assistant District Attorney to prosecute "10 Most Wanted Defendants." Ms. Lopez has represented clients in complex employment matters, including allegations of race, gender, and age discrimination. She has also conducted legal vulnerability assessments, corporate diversity compliance reviews, and benchmarking.

Ms. Lopez is a frequent democratic strategist and legal commentator. She has been featured on major national TV, radio and Spanish language television news and political shows, including BBC, CNN, CNN en Español, NBC, Univision, and Telemundo. She has also participated in various press conferences with Members of Congress and national leaders.

Prior to joining Barnes & Thornburg, Ms. Lopez worked for the Congressional Hispanic Caucus Institute, Washington, D.C. She also worked as an Associate with Davis Wright Tremaine LLP, Washington, D.C.; Counsel to the Commissioner at the Massachusetts Department of Revenue, Metro Civil Litigation Department, Boston, Massachusetts; and Assistant District Attorney with the Middlesex District Attorney's Office, Boston, Massachusetts.

Ms. Lopez has been recognized as a national leader and been selected as one of 15 Hispanic leaders nationwide for a fellowship program sponsored by the *Fundacion Carolina*, an initiative of the Spanish Embassy; as one in 50 lawyers selected to participate in the Hispanic National Bar Association (HNBA) and Association of Corporate Counsel (ACC) Latina Executive Leadership Program; and an American Bar Association (ABA) diversity fellow scholar.

Ms. Lopez currently serves as the HNBA National Vice President of Membership (2010-2012). She has also held other leadership positions, including HNBA National Vice President of External Affairs (2008-2010), HNBA Regional President (2006-2008), Hispanic Lobbyists Association Board Member (2008-2009), and Hispanic Bar Association of D.C. Board Member (2006-2007).

Ms. Lopez graduated with an A.B. from the University of Chicago in 1997, and earned her J.D. from Boston College Law School in 2000. She is admitted to practice in the states of Massachusetts and New York, and in the District of Columbia, and also before the U.S. Supreme Court.