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**EL PASO ATTORNEY CARMEN HUERTA-PEREZ SELECTED AS A
2021-2022 NOMINATING CHAIR BY TEXAS BAR FOUNDATION**

Ms. Carmen Huerta-Perez with Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson LLP has been selected to serve as a 2021-2022 Texas Bar Foundation Nominating Chair for District 17, along with Jose Padilla. Nominating Chairs for each of the 17 State Bar of Texas districts identify elite nominees to join the Foundation as Fellows. Nominating Chairs of the Foundation are selected for their outstanding professional achievements and their demonstrated commitment to the Texas Bar Foundation. Selection is a mark of distinction and recognition of Ms. Huerta-Perez's contributions to the legal profession.

Ms. Perez has managed the Linebarger El Paso office since 1997, overseeing all office operations, personnel and budgets and the collection and litigation programs. As a member of the firm's Management Committee, she directs the overall firm's operations and policies. Ms. Perez assumes responsibility for ensuring all collection activities comply with the firm's operating procedures and adhere to its ethical and professional standards. She also serves as the State Bar of Texas liaison for the firm in matters involving continuing legal education and advertising.

Ms. Perez is a graduate of Southern Methodist University School of Law and the University of Texas at El Paso.

Ms. Perez served on the Board of Directors of the State Bar of Texas as a minority director from 2004 to 2007. In June 2005, Ms. Perez received a prestigious Presidential Citation for her service on the Board. She is a member of the College of the State Bar of Texas, a Texas Bar Foundation Life Fellow, a member of the Texas Center for Legal Ethics, and a member of the Hispanic Issues Section of the State Bar of Texas. She also serves as the Texas Bar Foundation's Nominating Chair for District 17. Ms. Perez is also a member of the El Paso Bar Association, the Mexican American Bar Association, the El Paso Women's Bar Association, the American Bar Association and the National Hispanic Bar Association. She

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is also a member of the West Texas Chapter of the Texas Association of Assessing Officers, formerly the chapter president of the organization.

Ms. Perez is active in the El Paso community and is a staunch supporter of her alma mater, the Lydia Patterson Institute in El Paso. For example, Ms. Perez serves on the Board of Directors for Gigi's Playhouse El Paso, an organization dedicated to providing therapeutic and educational programs at no cost to children with Down syndrome.

Selection as a Fellow of the Texas Bar Foundation is restricted to members of the State Bar of Texas. Each year one-third of one percent of Texas attorneys are invited to become Fellows. Once nominees are selected, they must be elected by the Texas Bar Foundation Board of Trustees. Membership has grown from an initial 255 Charter Members in 1965 to more than 10,000 Fellows throughout Texas today. If you are a Fellow and have a recommendation for a new member, please contact your District Nominating Chair.

Founded by attorneys determined to assist the public and improve the profession of law, the Texas Bar Foundation has maintained its mission of using the financial contributions of its membership to enhance the rule of law and the system of justice in Texas. To date, the Texas Bar Foundation has distributed more than \$22 million throughout Texas to assist nonprofit organizations with a wide range of justice-related programs and services. More than \$1 million is projected to be distributed for grants this fiscal year. For more information, please visit www.txbf.org.

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