

Haynes Boone's Raquel Alvarenga Recognized Among Dallas Business Journal's '40 Under 40'

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Haynes Boone Counsel [Raquel Alvarenga](#) has been recognized among *Dallas Business Journal's* "40 Under 40" honorees for 2021.

The 40 Under 40 Awards celebrate the up-and-coming leaders, executives, and influencers in the Dallas-Fort Worth business community and beyond. These are people who excel in their respective companies and industries, showing dynamic leadership in their communities.

"Raquel is a supreme counselor and advocate. She excels in providing legal advice in a practical manner considering business goals and implications," said Haynes Boone Partner Melissa Goodman.

Raquel has extensive experience advising corporate clients, entrepreneurs, and private equity firms and their portfolio companies on the labor and employment aspects of complex corporate transactions.

Partner [John McGowan](#) applauds her skill in connecting with, and earning the trust of, corporate clients, stating, "Every single time that I've introduced Raquel to a client, not only does she do a great job helping the client with the issue, but the client introduces her to another colleague, friend or family member with a labor issue. She's like a wildfire for labor solutions."

Raquel's experience also includes advising on and litigating all manner of labor and employment disputes, including severance agreements; hiring and firing decisions; restrictive covenant agreements; wage-and-hour issues; whistleblower matters; discrimination, harassment and retaliation issues; workplace safety issues; and reasonable accommodation and leave requests. She has first-chair experience conducting internal investigations for corporate clients, non-profit organizations, and higher education institutions concerning allegations of employee misconduct and sexual assault.