

## Dallas Hispanic Bar Association Recognizes Raquel Alvarenga With La Estrella Award

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October 12, 2021 Raquel Alvarenga

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**PRACTICES** Labor and Employment, Wage and Hour Litigation, Employment Litigation

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Haynes Boone Counsel [Raquel Alvarenga](#) received the Dallas Hispanic Bar Association (DHBA) 2021 La Estrella Award last weekend at the 16<sup>th</sup>-Annual Noche de Luz Gala in Dallas.

The Oct. 9 event raised funds for the Dallas Hispanic Bar Foundation (DHBF), which promotes social, economic, educational, and civic advancement of the DFW Metroplex Hispanic community by making the legal system more accessible to the Hispanic community and more responsive to its needs. The DHBA has a 50-plus year history of promoting diversity in the Dallas legal community and enjoys the membership and support of many prominent and dedicated Dallas leaders and judges.

The Estrella (Star) Award is presented to an up-and-coming attorney and member of the DHBA who has given back to the Hispanic and legal communities. Raquel, a Labor and Employment lawyer at Haynes Boone, was recognized for her excellence in the legal profession and her commitment to promoting diversity, equity, and inclusion in the Dallas legal community.

Earlier this summer, Raquel was recognized among *Dallas Business Journal's* "40 Under 40" honorees for 2021. That recognition celebrated 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 was also included in the "Ones to Watch" category of *Best Lawyers in America*, Woodward/White, Inc., in 2021-2022.

Raquel focuses her practice on counseling corporate clients on critical workplace issues such as hiring and firing decisions; non-competition agreements; wage-and-hour laws; whistleblower matters; discrimination, harassment and retaliation issues; employee complaints and discipline; workplace safety issues; and reasonable accommodation and leave requests. She has extensive experience litigating all manner of labor and employment disputes, including cases involving alleged discrimination, harassment, retaliation, wrongful termination, misappropriation of trade secrets, wage-and-hour claims and breach of contract.