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Ms. Torres primarily handles civil litigation matters, and has extensive experience in civil rights, employment, insurance, premises liability and governmental liability related matters. She has jury and bench trial experience in both State and Federal Courts. She is a member of Modrall Sperling=s Litigation Department and Education and Employment Group.

Ms. Torres is a thirteenth generation native New Mexican who received her bachelor=s degree from New Mexico Tech in 1983, and was named a Tech Scholar. She was an educator in her hometown of Socorro, New Mexico, at Socorro High School for six years before attending law school at the University of New Mexico, where she received her Juris Doctor degree in 1992.

Ms. Torres is very active in bar activities on a state and national level. She served as Chair of the Young Lawyers= Division in 1996. She was named Outstanding Young Lawyer for New Mexico in 1995, and she received recognition for her bar activities by receiving an award for Outstanding Contribution to the Bar in 1996 and by receiving the University of New Mexico Zia Award in 2003. Ms. Torres was President of the State Bar of New Mexico in 2002, and she was the first Hispanic woman to serve as President of any State Bar Association in this country. On a national level, Ms. Torres is the State Delegate to the American Bar Association, and has served on many House committees. She is very active in the ABA=s Minority Caucus to the House of Delegates, and serves as Chair of the Resolutions Committee. She served on the Executive Council of the National Conference of Bar Presidents, and the American Bar Association=s Bar Activities and Services Committee from 2002-2005, and is now Secretary to the National Conference of Bar Presidents, and will serve as president of that organization in 2009. She was the only State Bar Leader to serve on the Steering Committee for Justice Anthony Kennedy=s Dialogue on Freedom Program. She has served on the UNM Law School Board of Visitors, UNM Law School Alumni/= Board of Directors, New Mexico Defense Lawyers Association, the Defense Research Institute and the State and National Hispanic Bar Associations. Ms. Torres is currently serving a three-year term on the ABA=s Standing

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