

**HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH** is a national recognition of the contributions of Hispanic/Latino Americans to the United States and a celebration of Hispanic heritage and culture. The observation started in 1968 as Hispanic Heritage Week under President Lyndon Johnson and was expanded by President Ronald Regan in 1988 to cover a 31-day period starting on September 15 and ending on October 15. It was enacted into law on August 17, 1988.

## OUR LATINO ATTORNEYS

Our Latino attorneys work in various practice groups within the firm, including Real Estate, Business Law, Litigation and the Insurance and Reinsurance Department. They are strongly committed to their clients, to making the firm a better place for Latinos to work and to giving back to their local communities. Two of our attorneys, Jaime Guttman (West Palm Beach) and Machua Millett (Boston) received pro bono awards from the firm this year, while others are intimately involved in the firm's recruitment, mentoring and management efforts. We are also proud to congratulate Louis Mercedes (Boston) and Machua Millet for being recognized as 2009 Rising Stars by *Law and Politics* magazine.

## 2009 LATINO LEGAL HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ On August 9, 2009, Sonia Sotomayor became the first Hispanic justice on the United States Supreme Court. A graduate of Princeton University and Yale Law School, Associate Justice Sotomayor grew up in the Bronx, NY and rose to serve on the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit before her nomination by President Barack Obama.
- ◆ On May 9, 2009, Julian Castro was elected mayor of San Antonio, Texas, becoming at 34 the youngest mayor of a major American city. Mayor Castro, a graduate of Stanford University and Harvard Law School, was born and raised in San Antonio by his mother, a local political organizer.

- ◆ On January 20, 2009, Ken Salazar was confirmed as the Secretary of the Department of the Interior. Mr. Salazar, a graduate of Colorado College and the University of Michigan School of Law, is a former U.S. Senator and Attorney General of Colorado.

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The heart of Edwards Angell Palmer & Dodge lies within our people and the many different experiences and perspectives we share. We recognize, embrace and celebrate our differences and believe we can only provide our clients with the best possible representation if we reflect the diversity of the clients and communities we serve.

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