

Blank Rome Adds Government Contracts Partner in Washington, D.C.

Dominique L. Casimir has joined **Blank Rome LLP** as a partner in the Government Contracts group in the Washington, D.C., office.

The firm said Casimir's practice focuses on government contracts law with an emphasis on litigation, regulatory counseling, and responding to government enforcement actions. She joins Blank Rome from Arnold & Porter Kaye Scholer LLP where she was a partner in the firm's government contracts practice.

Casimir practice focuses on suspension and debarment matters, successfully representing clients—including large and small government contractors and subcontractors—before suspension and debarment officials of numerous federal agencies. She serves as co-chair of the Debarment and Suspension Committee of the American Bar Association's Section of Public Contracts Law, and she is often invited to speak at high-profile events—most recently at the ABA's Annual Meeting alongside the Army's Suspension Debarment Official and at a symposium in London alongside the Environmental Protection Agency's Suspension Debarment Official.

The firm said she also provides litigation support and regulatory advice to her government contractor clients whose businesses span a variety of industries, such as defense, healthcare, information technology, and professional services. She often conducts internal investigations on behalf of her clients (including those undertaken in response to actual or potential False Claims Act matters), makes mandatory disclosures, and counsels contractors with respect to

compliance with government audits.

A native Spanish speaker and daughter of immigrants, Casimir will continue her pro bono work at Blank Rome with a focus on aiding immigrants and those seeking asylum in the United States. The firm said she is also dedicated to networking and bringing greater racial diversity to the practice of government contracts law. She recently launched a group of diverse government contracts attorneys (from the government, in-house, and law firms) that convene quarterly to help with business development, building goodwill among government attorneys, and raising awareness of potential diverse recruits.

She earned her B.A. in Government from Georgetown University and her J.D. from Harvard Law School.