Former Texas Supreme Court Justice, Texas Attorney General Candidate Eva Guzman joining Chamberlain Hrdlicka

National law firm Chamberlain Hrdlicka today announced that Eva Guzman, former Texas Supreme Court justice, will join the firm on August 4 as a shareholder in the firm's litigation, appellate, and Texas tax controversy practices where she will focus on litigating cases in state and federal trial and appellate courts and resolving disputes at the administrative level. Justice Guzman will work in the firm's Houston and San Antonio offices.

"We are very pleased to welcome Justice Guzman to our litigation team," said Larry Campagna, managing shareholder of Chamberlain Hrdlicka. "Her extensive experience as a litigator, a trial judge, a court of appeals judge, and as a Texas Supreme Court justice make her an invaluable asset to our firm and our clients."

Justice Guzman brings a wealth of expertise, both as a litigator and as judge, to her new role at Chamberlain Hrdlicka. She began her legal career in family and civil law, practicing in Houston for 10 years before then-Governor George W. Bush appointed her to the Family District Court bench in Harris County in 1999. In 2001, then-Governor Rick Perry appointed her to the Texas 14th Court of Appeals. In in 2009, he elevated Guzman to the Supreme Court of Texas, where she became the first Latina to serve on Texas's highest civil court and the first to win statewide office in Texas.

Over the course of her judicial career, Guzman ruled on thousands of civil and criminal appeals and authored more than 900 opinions, many on issues of first impression. She has also served as an adjunct professor at the University of Houston Law Center, teaching trial advocacy. For many years, she has been a speaker and presenter at state and national legal conferences and symposiums. An elected member of the prestigious American Law Institute, Guzman has collaborated with other legal professionals on various studies and projects and authored articles for a number of legal publications.

Guzman graduated from the University of Houston with a bachelor's degree in business administration. She received a law degree from the South Texas College of Law. She also holds an LL.M. in Judicial Studies from Duke University School of Law, where she took classes from United States Supreme Court Justices Antonin Scalia and Samuel Alito.

Guzman has received many honors and awards for her professional and community achievements, including the following:

• Luther H. Soules II Award for Excellence in Litigation, State Bar of Texas Litigation Section (2021);

• Pro Bono Excellence Award, Lone Star Legal Aid (2020);

• Honored for Achievement and Innovation in Work with Children and Families, Texas CASA (2020);

• Lifetime Achievement Award, Hispanic Bar Association of Houston (2016);

• Appellate Judge of the Year Award, Texas Association of Civil Trial and Appellate Specialists (2016);

• Guardian of Justice Award, Texas Legal Services Center (2016);

• Outstanding Judicial Service and Leadership Award, Houston Bar Association Appellate Practice Section (2016);

• Outstanding Texas Leader & induction to the Texas Leadership Hall of Fame, John Ben Shepperd Public Leadership Institute (2015);

Modern Trailblazer Award, Association of Women Attorneys
(2014);

• Premier Women in the Law Award, Association of Women Attorneys (2014);

• Pathfinder Award, Texas Women Lawyers (2012);

• Las Primeras of Texas Recognition, Hispanic National Bar Association (2011);

• Pioneer Award, Institute of Hispanic Culture (2010);

• Judge of the Year Award, Mexican American Bar Association of Texas Foundation (2009);

• Latina Judge of the Year Award, Hispanic National Bar Association (2009);

• Recognized for Outstanding Service in the Community, Mexican-American Bar Association (2009);

• President's Awards for Outstanding Service, Houston Bar Association (2006, 2008); and

• Distinguished Faculty Recognition, Houston Bar Association (2000-2005, 2007).