## Sommerman, McCaffity, Quesada & Geisler Lawyer Honored as Texas Trailblazer

Trial lawyer Laura Benitez Geisler of Dallas-based **Sommerman, McCaffity, Quesada & Geisler** has been designated a Texas Trailblazer by Texas Lawyer magazine for her significant impact on the legal profession.

A personal injury lawyer and the first Hispanic president of the Dallas Bar Association, Geisler made the 2019 list of the Texas attorneys deemed "agents of change" based on her commitment to ensuring legal representation for low-income citizens, the firm said in a release.

As DBA president, Geisler initiated the Entrepreneurs in Community Lawyering Program, an intensive year-long program that gives beginning solo practitioners the tools to succeed as business owners and lawyers, serving a low-income and modest means clientele. In exchange, participants commit at least 200 hours of pro bono service to lower-income residents during the program. Geisler also raised over \$1 million for the DBA's Dallas Volunteer Program while serving as 2014-15 co-chair of the Equal Access to Justice Campaign.

Geisler has held several leadership positions in the legal community, including serving on the Dallas Bar Association Board of Directors since 2006, and as a past president of the Dallas Association of Young Lawyers and the Dallas Women Lawyers Association.

For more than 21 years, Geisler has represented clients in personal injury and wrongful death cases, with a trial history that includes multimillion-dollar jury verdicts and settlements. She has earned a place on the Texas Super Lawyers list for her personal injury work and she is recognized in the

2020 edition of The Best Lawyers in America. Ms. Geisler was also named to the 2019 Lawdragon 500 Leading Lawyers in America.

The **2019 Texas Trailblazers list** is featured in the October/November issue of Texas Lawyer.