

# Four Gardere Attorneys Named Fellows of the Texas Bar Foundation

**Gardere** labor and employment attorneys Cristina Portela Solomon and Rachel Powitzky Steely, and litigation attorneys Mary Elizondo Frazier and Mike Seely, have been elected to membership in the Fellows of the Texas Bar Foundation. Fellows of the Foundation are selected for their professional achievements and demonstrated commitment to the justice system throughout the state of Texas.

Selection as a Fellow of the Texas Bar Foundation is restricted to members of the State Bar of Texas. Each year, only one-third of 1 percent of State Bar members are invited to become Fellows. Once nominees are selected, they must be approved by the Texas Bar Foundation Board of Trustees. Membership has grown from an initial 255 charter members in 1965 to more than 9,000 Fellows throughout Texas today.

Founded in 1965 by lawyers determined to assist the public and improve the profession of law, the Texas Bar Foundation has maintained its mission of using the financial contributions of its membership to build a strong justice system for all Texans. To date, the Texas Bar Foundation has distributed more than \$17 million throughout Texas to assist nonprofit organizations with a wide range of justice-related programs and services. More information about the Texas Bar Foundation can be accessed [here](#).

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