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Chamberlain Hrdlicka's Diana Perez Gomez and Julie Offerman named to Super Lawyers' Texas 2020 Top Women

Houston, December 14, 2020 – Two attorneys with national law firm <u>Chamberlain Hrdlicka</u> have been selected to the *Texas Super Lawyers 2020 Top Women* list. Each year, no more than five percent of the lawyers in the state are selected by the research team at *Super Lawyers* to receive this honor. The Upand-Coming 50: 2020 Women Texas Rising Stars list is comprised of women who ranked in the top 50 of Texas Rising Stars nomination, research and blue-ribbon review process.

Named as one of Top Women in Texas by SuperLawyers, <u>Diana Perez Gomez</u> is a shareholder at Chamberlain Hrdlicka's and Vice Chair of Houston's labor and employment practice, where she focuses on complex labor and employment disputes in state and federal courts. She has more than 15 years of experience in a wide range civil litigation matters as well as managing EEOC and TWC matters and investigations for public and private employers. Gomez also serves on Chamberlain Hrdlicka's management committee and is National Chair for the firm's Pro Bono Committee.

Gomez holds bachelor's degree in political science from the Texas A&M University and received her law degree from the University of Texas at Austin. Very involved in the legal community, she currently serves as the Second Vice President for the Houston Bar Association (HBA) and serves on the Board of Directors for the Houston Zoo Development Corporation and the Hispanic Bar Association of Houston. Gomez is also a co-chair for District Four of the Texas Bar Foundation and Chair of the HBA's Law and the Media Committee. Recipient of many accolades, Gomez was named to the Texas Super Lawyers list by Super Lawyers® consecutively since 2013; was selected as a Top Lawyer in 2017, 2019 and 2020 by Houstonia Magazine, received Latina Lawyer Under 40 Award from the Mexican American Bar Association of Texas Foundation in 2012; was the recipient of the Houston Bar Association's President's Award in 2016 and 2019; was a recipient of the Hispanic Bar Association of Houston's President's Award in 2007, 2009, and 2015; was awarded the Local Heroes Recognition by the Houston Lawyer Magazine in 2009 for her work as a Presidential Appointee in the U.S. Department of Education serving as Deputy Director for the White House Initiative on Educational Excellence for Hispanic Americans and then as Chief of Staff for the Office of Planning, Evaluation and Policy Development in 2008 and 2009, and the Woodrow B. Seals Outstanding Young Lawyer of Houston Award from Houston Young Lawyers Association in 2008. She is a Fellow of the American Bar Foundation, Texas Bar Foundation and the Houston Bar Foundation.

Named among the Up-and-Coming 50: 2020 Texas Women Rising Stars, <u>Julie Offerman</u> is an experienced litigation attorney in Chamberlain's Houston labor & employment practice. She has substantial experience defending employers nationwide in wage and hour class and collective action lawsuits, including matters involving allegations of misclassification of employees and failure to pay overtime. Offerman graduated from University of Texas at Austin, with a bachelor's degree, summa cum laude, and received her law degree from Texas Tech University School of Law, summa cum laude as well. While there, she was an articles editor for the Texas Tech Law Review. Prior to joining Chamberlain Hrdlicka, she clerked for Justice Phil Johnson of the Texas Supreme Court. She has been named to Texas Super Lawyers in 2020 after being named Texas Rising Star in 2014, 2015, 2017, 2018, and 2019. She has also been named among *Houstonia Magazine* Top Lawyers in 2019 and 2020.

<u>Super Lawyers</u>, a Thomson Reuters business, is a rating service of outstanding lawyers from more than 70 practice areas who have attained a high degree of peer recognition and professional achievement. The annual selections are made using a patented multiphase process that includes a statewide survey of lawyers, an independent research evaluation of candidates and peer reviews by practice area. The result is a credible, comprehensive and diverse listing of exceptional attorneys.

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