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## Houston Law Firm Partner Benny Agosto, Jr., Receives President's Award From State Bar of Texas

HOUSTON, TEXAS – The law firm of Abraham, Watkins, Nichols, Sorrels, Agosto & Friend is pleased to announce that Benny Agosto Jr., a partner in the firm, received the President's Award from the State Bar of Texas on June 19, 2015. He was honored at the State Bar Annual Meeting luncheon in San Antonio.

The President's Award is one of the most prestigious awards presented by the State Bar and is announced at the State Bar of Texas Annual Meeting each year. The award recognizes exceptional service to the public and to the legal profession.

Mr. Agosto is deeply committed to serving the community and to supporting young Hispanic lawyers. His membership in numerous organizations throughout Texas and beyond reflects this commitment. For example, he is a founder of the Mexican American Bar Association of Texas (MABATx) Foundation. Mr. Agosto helped build the MABATx Foundation to benefit young Hispanic Houston area law students through scholarships.

He is also very active in the Hispanic National Bar Association (HNBA) and served as its president in 2011-2012. He was a co-founder of the HNBA's Legal Education Fund, a 501(c)3 organization that gives 100 percent of the contributions it receives to support minority scholarships.

Benny Agosto has received numerous local and national awards for his involvement in the legal profession and community. His contributions have been recognized by the Anti-Defamation League (ADL) with the ADL Civil Rights Medal, the Hispanic Issues Section of the State Bar of Texas with the Peter Torres, Jr. Community Service Award, and the Litigation Counsel of America with the Peter Perlman Service Award. He was also named the Hispanic Male Executive of the Year by the Houston Hispanic Chamber of Commerce.

Please join the law firm of <u>Abraham, Watkins, Nichols, Sorrels, Agosto & Friend</u> in congratulating Benny Agosto Jr. for receiving this well-deserved award that recognizes his contributions to the legal profession and to the community. For more information, please <u>email</u> the firm or call 713-222-7211.