

## **Partner Delivers Commencement Address at South Texas College of Law**

In recognition of his status as a distinguished alumnus of South Texas College of Law, and an influential member of the legal community, Firm Partner Benny Agosto Jr. was invited by Dean Donald Guter to deliver the commencement address at the College's December graduation ceremony.

Mr. Agosto has proudly served South Texas College of Law in a variety of roles. He has sponsored and judged STCL mock trial competitions, spoken to classes and at CLEs hosted at the College, and is a former member of the South Texas College of Law Alumni Association Board of Directors. He has also been recognized for his monetary donations to STCL, having been named to the inaugural South Texas College of Law 1923 Society for his lifetime gifts to the school, including the Benny and Nikki Agosto Children's Waiting Room in the Randall O. Sorrels Legal Clinics, and the Bernardino and Marina Agosto Scholarships, given annually to Hispanic graduates.

Making a difference in his community has also been a lifelong commitment for Mr. Agosto. In 2006, Benny Agosto Jr. established the Mexican-American Bar Association of Texas Foundation which promotes the social, economic, and educational advancement of the people of Texas. Additionally, he served as Past President of both the Hispanic National Bar Association and the Mexican-American Bar Association of Texas.

Most recently, Mr. Agosto received the Peter Torres Jr. Community Service Award, and the Peter Perlman Service Award. Both annual awards recognized his commitment and contributions to the Houston business, professional, and Hispanic communities.

Mr. Agosto's message focused on some of the same advice he received at the beginning of his career: to be more than just attorneys and become advocates.