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Locke Lord Los Angeles Office Managing Partner Nina Huerta Named by Los Angeles Business Journal as One of 2023 Top 100 Lawyers and Receives Specialty Award in Champion of Diversity

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Nina Huerta, a member of Locke Lord's Executive Committee and Managing Partner of the Firm's Los Angeles office, was named by the Los Angeles Business Journal as one of the 2023 Top 100 Lawyers, honoring the accomplishments of the region's most impactful lawyers who demonstrate exceptional legal skill and achievements across the full spectrum of responsibility, exemplary leadership and contributions to the Los Angeles community at large. In addition, Huerta was also recognized with the Top 100 Lawyers Specialty Award in Champion of Diversity.

Most recently, Huerta led a Locke Lord team that [secured a jury verdict in favor of Farmers Insurance Exchange](#) and certain affiliated entities ("Farmers") in a closely watched trial involving claims of age discrimination brought by California-based former insurance agents under the California Fair Employment and Housing Act. Following an eight-week trial and just two days of deliberation, the jury ultimately agreed with Farmers that the former insurance agents were independent contractors and were therefore not subject to the employment laws at issue in the case.

Huerta, who has served as Los Angeles Managing Partner since 2016, is one of the first Latinas to serve in this role for any major law firm. She serves as President of the Mexican American Bar Foundation, the largest scholarship organization of its kind, having funded over \$2 million in law school scholarships and bar stipends. Huerta is also a member of the Latina Lawyers Bar Association, the Labor and Employment Section of the Los Angeles County Bar Association, the Women Lawyers Association of Los Angeles' Racial Justice and Equality Advisory Council, the National Employment Law Council and serves on the Los Angeles Summer Legal Institute Steering Committee of Just the Beginning – A Pipeline Organization.

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