

Barbara Fernandez Selected as One of Florida Legal Elite's 2024 Most Notable Women Leaders in Law

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The law firm of Hinshaw & Culbertson LLP today announced that Miami partner-in-charge Barbara Fernandez has been selected as one of Florida Legal Elite's Most Notable Women Leaders in Law by *Florida Trend Magazine* for the second consecutive year.

Fernandez was selected in the 2024 Edition for making a measurable and specific impact on the types of legal cases handled, mentoring other attorneys, promoting professional practices and values in the workplace, and demonstrating leadership in professional organizations and civic/community service initiatives.

[View her profile](#) and the [full list of 2024 Most Notable Women Leaders in Law](#).

Fernandez is the Partner-in-Charge of Hinshaw's Miami office and is a member of the firm's Executive Committee. She is also a member of Hinshaw's Diversity Committee and serves as the Miami Office Mentor Coordinator (OMC). As the OMC, she oversees the office's mentor program and advises young attorneys. Fernandez is also a former Co-Chair of Hinshaw's Hispanic/Latino Attorney Network and was a member of the Evaluation Committee for Hinshaw's Attorney Life Committee.

Fernandez has developed a niche practice in consumer and class action litigation, where relatively few women practice law. She has extensive experience in defending individual and class action claims involving the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act (FDCPA), the Telephone Consumer Protection Act (TCPA), and the Fair Credit Reporting Act (FCRA).

She is also co-editor of Hinshaw's blog publication, [Consumer Crossroads](#). This publication is focused on the consumer financial services industry and offers insights on judicial, regulatory, and legislative developments that directly impact industry professionals.

Additionally, Fernandez has received numerous awards and recognitions from colleagues and the community, including:

- Included Among the 2024 Florida 500™ Florida's Most Influential Business Leaders from *Florida Trend Magazine*;
- Named as the 2021 Businesswomen of the Year (Corporate Leader) by the Coral Gables Chamber of Commerce;
- Recognized as an "Influential Business Woman" by *South Florida Business Journal*, 2021;
- Named to the "40 Under 40 Outstanding Lawyers of South Florida Award," Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, August 2014;
- Named one of *Diversity MBA Magazine's* Top 100 Under 50 Diverse Executive & Emerging Leaders, 2013;
- Selected as one of the *Daily Business Review's* "Rising Stars," 2013; and
- Selected as one of *South Florida Business Journal's* "40 Under 40," 2012.

Active in the community, Fernandez is a member of the American Bar Association, American Collector's Association, Cuban American Bar Association, and Hispanic National Bar Association. She was also a former Co-Chair of the National Association of Women Lawyers (NAWL) Next Level Affinity Group and was the former Dade County Defense Bar Association Board Trustee and past president, which she served for three terms.

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