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Coralee G. Penabad is a shareholder at Hellinger & Penabad, P.A. Ms. Penabad is a sophisticated and diverse lawyer with a comprehensive interdisciplinary practice. Ms. Penabad's practice encompasses a variety of commercial matters including complex commercial litigation, real estate acquisitions, financing transactions, real estate disputes, landlord/tenant disputes, development and leasing. Ms. Penabad represents companies as creditors, debtors or equity holders in complex Chapter 11 reorganizations, assignment for the benefit of creditors and out of court work out arrangements. Ms. Penabad has represented clients in mergers and acquisitions as well as representing national and international clients regarding matters under the Perishable Agricultural Commodities Act ("PACA").

Ms. Penabad is currently general counsel for an international produce conglomerate whose United States headquarters are located in Florida. She also served as outside general counsel for Leviev Boymelgreen Developers. She assisted Leviev Boymelgreen in a complex transition and turnaround of their Miami portfolio with assets in excess of \$750 million. As counsel for Leviev Boymelgreen she represented the business in acquiring a portion of its portfolio and refinancing the company's Miami portfolio totaling in excess of \$400 million of both acquisition and construction financing. She also assisted the company in all aspects of the daily business including governmental relations. As a result of her work for Leviev Boymelgreen Ms. Penabad is one of three finalists for the award of "Top Real Estate Deal Maker" in Miami Dade County for the year 2007.

Ms Penabad has also represented lenders and financial institutions in providing acquisition, development and construction financing. Ms. Penabad is an approved agent for various nationally recognized title insurance companies which allows Ms. Penabad to assist her client in closing real estate transaction from the negotiation of the letter intent through the due diligence, the closing and procurement of the title insurance policy.

Ms. Penabad has been involved in some of the most high profile litigation in South Florida. She litigated a \$500 million fraudulent conveyance case and intricate tax shelter matter in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court. She also litigated the right to license and use *telenovelas* in Probate Court. She has extensive experience in litigating and recovery assets in ponzi scheme cases in both Florida State and Federal Courts. Ms. Penabad was instrumental in assisting a purchaser to acquire a high profile cargo carrier in Miami in bankruptcy. Today, this cargo carrier continues to be a premier cargo carrier operating in Miami and Latin America. Ms. Penabad was also instrumental in representing other Debtors in Chapter 11 matters restructuring their operations, developing their new business plans leading these companies through successful reorganizations.

The close personal attention Ms. Penabad provides to her clients and to the details of their matters makes the difference. The unique breadth and depth of Ms. Penabad's expertise allows her clients to receive a broad spectrum of services addressing the myriad of legal and business problems which sophisticated businesses encounter on a daily basis.

Education:

- University of Miami, BBA (cum laude), J.D (magna cum laude)
- Order of the Coif
- University of Miami Law Review Member
- Phi Delta Phi Member

Bar Admission:

Admitted to the Florida Bar as well as the United States District Court for the Southern and Middle Districts of Florida, United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern and Middle Districts and the United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Judicial Circuit.

Published Material:

"Tagging or Not - Can The Government Constitutionally Require Descriptive Labeling of Web Pages on the Internet",
UCLA Ent. L. Rev. 335 (1998).

Professional Memberships:

- Cuban American Bar Association
- University of Miami Citizens Board Member
- Bankruptcy Bar Association, Southern District of Florida
- Miami Dade County Bar Association
- Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce
- Beacon Council