
Brigida Benitez and Ronald Machen Recognized As Two of the "Top 40 Lawyers Under 40" by Washingtonian Magazine

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Washingtonian has named Litigation Partners Brigida Benitez and Ronald Machen as two of Washington DC's "Top 40 Lawyers Under 40" in its July 2006 issue. National Editor Kim Eisler described these rising stars as lawyers "who are making names for themselves" in the DC legal community and who, in the future, "will probably be leaders of Washington's most powerful legal institutions."

Brigida Benitez was honored for her appellate and litigation successes, in particular the landmark victory in the University of Michigan cases. Ron Machen, whom Eisler described as having a "future [that] is unlimited," was recognized for his accomplishments at WilmerHale and his past trial successes as a federal prosecutor.

The list comprises lawyers under 40 who have achieved remarkable success, including the U.S. Solicitor General, the Chairman of the FCC, local General Counsels, and two Assistant Attorneys General in the Department of Justice.

[Howard Shapiro](#) is also mentioned as being "one of Washington's most sought-after securities lawyers" in a sidebar article looking at where the *Washingtonian's* "Rising Stars" of 1998 are now.

To read the write-ups of Ron and Brigida, click [here](#).