

## WilmerHale Awarded the DC 2009 Employer Diversity Award by the Hispanic Bar Association of DC

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WilmerHale was awarded the 2009 Employer Diversity Award by the Hispanic Bar Association of DC (HBA-DC). The firm was selected among 58 law firms and government agencies based on its diversity practices and "success in integrating Latino attorneys at all levels of leadership." To be considered for this honor, WilmerHale participated in a HBA-DC survey that focused on measuring progress toward the goal of ensuring a diverse legal workforce and recognizing positive results with regard to advancement and opportunity for the Latino community. The HBA-DC cited the firm's commitment to a "meaningful minority mentorship program, a Hispanic affinity group, and an established pro bono program that benefits several Hispanic organizations." It was also noted that WilmerHale also participates in minority recruitment fairs and encourages attorneys to engage with the various minority bar associations including the HBA-DC.

"We know that our continued success serving our clients depends on our ability to field a diverse array of talented lawyers who bring a range of experience and perspectives to our practice," said Carol Clayton, former assistant managing partner and partner-in-charge of the firm's Washington DC office. "Commitment to diversity at WilmerHale starts at the top and courses through the firm at every level. We maintain a culture of inclusion and respect in which all of our colleagues can reach their full potential."