

I wrote this story to appear on Broad and Cassel's intranet after assisting one of our attorneys win the below award. I interviewed this attorneys' managing partner to entice Firm attorneys to read it.

Miami Partner Named Hispanic Woman of Distinction

Partner Vivian de las Cuevas-Diaz was named as one of twelve honorees among the 2008 Hispanic Women of Distinction, presented by Bank of America and *Latina Style Magazine*, the nation's leading publication for Hispanic women. The 12 distinguished women of Hispanic ethnicity are honored for their significant contributions to the tri-county community while maintaining their culture and traditions.

“Vivian is inspiring,” said Miami Managing Partner Mark F. Raymond. “In addition to serving as a leader of our Firm, she is a wife, a new mother, a respected professional sought out by community leaders and an incredibly devoted community volunteer.”

Ms. de las Cuevas-Diaz heads up the Miami real estate practice for the Firm. Most recently named to the Enterprise Florida Board of Directors, she is actively engaged in a number of civic and community organizations. She serves on the Board of Directors of the Cuban American Bar Association (CABA) as Treasurer. She also serves on the Board of Directors for the Latin Builders Association. Her other civic participation includes The Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce, The Junior League of Miami, The Builders Association of South Florida, and The Florida Association of Women Lawyers. Ms. de las Cuevas-Diaz is a graduate of Florida State University, and received her Juris Doctorate from Tulane Law School.

The *Latina Style Magazine* community leaders will be recognized at the seventh annual event on August 15th at the Signature Grand in Davie, which will benefit the March of Dimes and ASPIRA, a Hispanic youth mentoring and drop-out program. The “Latin-flavored” luncheon will feature a runway fashion show produced by Zola Keller featuring designers of the Art Institute of Fort Lauderdale. Attended by more than 800 last year, the celebration is one of the many diverse events and activities of the 19th Annual Viva Broward! and will serve as the countrywide kick-off of Hispanic Heritage month. Tickets to the luncheon are \$75 per person. Visit www.wedoevents.net for updates.