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Rockard "Rocky" Delgadillo has more than 30 years of experience in litigation, economic development transactions, and government law and public policy.

Rocky served an eight-year tenure, the term limit, as the City of Los Angeles City Attorney. As the city's chief lawyer and chief criminal prosecutor, he led more than 550 attorneys who comprise the second largest municipal law firm in the nation. Rocky was the first Latino to win citywide office in more than 100 years when he was elected in 2001. Running unopposed, he was re-elected in 2005 to a second four-year term.

During his tenure as City Attorney, Rocky implemented a number of innovative programs to further his vision of a better and safer Los Angeles. His top priorities included fighting crime, improving the quality of life in local neighborhoods and reducing the city's civil liabilities. In his first term, Rocky more than tripled the number of gang injunctions, contributing to a steep decline in crime in affected areas. Throughout his tenure, he helped make neighborhoods safer by implementing the neighborhood prosecutor program and by reducing the city's liability costs to free up millions of dollars to help pay for police and other crucial city services.

Prior to his election as Los Angeles City Attorney, Rocky was the Deputy Mayor of Los Angeles for Economic Development, where he attracted new jobs to emerging neighborhoods. He created an efficient neighborhood-friendly approach to business development through the creation of the LA Business Team and, in four years, helped bring in billions in private investment to the city.

- Real Estate
- Litigation, Arbitration and Investigations

- Real Estate

- Kayne Anderson Real Estate Advisors
- Private real estate development companies
- Entertainment Industry Clients
- East West Bank
- A Spanish-language American television broadcast network
- Philip D'Amato Racing
- Liberman Broadcasting
- Laurus Corporation

- Hunt Enterprises
- National Electrical Contractors Association
- Sheet Metal & Air Conditioning Contractors' National Association
- Los Angeles Unified School District
- Northern California Soccer

CREDENTIALS

Admissions

- California

Recognitions

- *Los Angeles Business Journal's* Most Influential Minority Lawyer Award 2019
- Golden Heart Award, The Midnight Mission
- Eagle and Badge Foundation Honoree, Los Angeles Police Protective League
- Keystone Honoree, Los Angeles Team Mentoring
- Columbia University Medal of Excellence, Most Distinguished Young Alumnus
- Robert F. Kennedy Award, Harvard Football
- Government Official of the Year, *Los Angeles Business Journal*
- Anne's Angel Award
- Humanitarian Award, Optimist Youth Homes and Family Services
- American Dream Program, Showcase Award by the National League of Cities
- Attorney of the Year, Hispanic National Bar Association

Education

- J.D., Columbia University School of Law
- A.B., Harvard University
with honors

NEWS

Rockard "Rocky" Delgadillo named to *Los Angeles Business Journals* Minority Leaders of Influence: Attorneys list

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DLA Piper is pleased to announce that Rocky Delgadillo, a partner in the firm's Real Estate practice, has been named to the *Los Angeles Business Journals* 2021 Minority Leaders of Influence: Attorneys list, which recognizes leading minority lawyers based in Los Angeles for their significant contributions to the local business and legal community.

MEDIA MENTIONS

- "Downtown Divided Over Skid Row Neighborhood Council," *Los Angeles Downtown News*, March 31, 2017
- "5 Tips For Winning Over Local Officials In Arena Proposals," *Law360*, July 23, 2015

- "Comcast-TW Cable Merger Debated at California Hearing," *Variety*, April 15, 2015
- "Comcast-Time Warner Cable merger debated at California PUC," *Los Angeles Times*, April 14, 2015
- "Health Net's 'Medical Necessity' Definition OK'd By Judge," *Law360*, July 9, 2013
- "Aetna Skirts Docs' False Ad Claim In Reimbursement Fight," *Law360*, April 30, 2013

PRO BONO

- Rebuild LA – former Director of Business Development
- Los Angeles United Futbol Academy (LAUFA) – President and Founding Member
- Benjamin Franklin High School Scholarship Foundation – President of the Board
- Harvard Alumni Association - Elected Board Member