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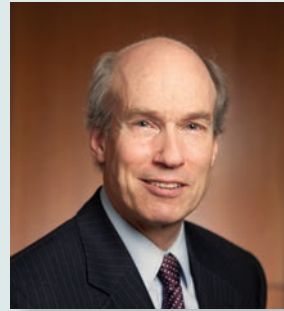
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Mr. Lafayette received the 2002 *California Lawyer* of the Year Award and the Charles Houston Bar Association Clinton W. White Advocacy Award. Mr. Lafayette is a Fellow of the Litigation Counsel of America and has been recognized in the Northern California Super Lawyers list for fifteen years. Mr. Lafayette's recent speaking engagements include "Litigation, Mediation and Arbitration "War Stories": The Most Effective Strategies for Remote vs. In-Person Proceedings," American Conference Institute's 29th National Conference on Employment Practices Liability Insurance; "The Practice of Labor & Employment Law: Tools for Success in a New Millennium," National Employment Law Council Bay Area Regional Conference, presented by Facebook and Google; and "The New Age of Privacy: GDPR," NAMWOLF Annual Meeting.

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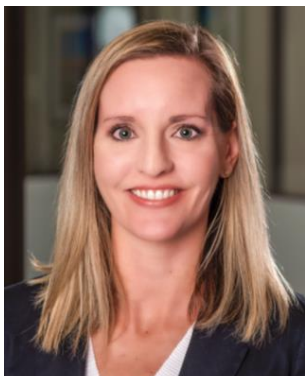
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## About the Firm

**Sanchez Daniels & Hoffman LLP** is a mid-sized civil defense litigation firm with over 35 attorneys. We will assist in your efforts to handle legal matters in a cost-effective manner while obtaining outstanding representation.

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**We are quite proud of the fact that since 1987 we have:**

- Grown from two to more than 35 attorneys; all solid, experienced professionals;
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- Become one of the largest minority-owned and controlled law firms in the United States;
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Ms. Quesada has represented numerous Fortune 500 companies throughout her career including healthcare organizations, life and disability insurance companies, supplemental and accident insurance companies, pharmaceutical companies, financial institutions, banking entities and numerous other companies, as well as publicly-traded entities and privately owned businesses in the prosecution and defense of life, health, disability and ERISA matters, insurance coverage disputes, healthcare claims, agent claims, interpleaders, structured settlement disputes, vicarious liability issues, reinsurance matters, bad faith litigation, general commercial claims, business disputes, business torts, fraud and RICO claims, consumer claims including FDUTPA, FCRA and TCPA claims, officer/director liability claims, product liability matters and a panoply of civil claims in state and federal courts throughout Florida and Georgia, as well as before arbitration tribunals throughout the country.

Ms. Quesada is AV-rated by Martindale-Hubbell Peer Review Ratings, the highest rating possible, and an Arbitrator for the American Arbitration Association (Commercial, Consumer and Healthcare rosters).

Prior to forming SMGQ, Ms. Quesada was a partner at a national law firm and senior associate at Hunton & Williams LLP (n/k/a Hunton Andrews Kurth), one of the largest U.S. based international law firms. Ms. Quesada commenced her legal career in private practice at Steel Hector & Davis LLP (n/k/a Squire Patton Boggs) after completing a federal clerkship as an Honors Attorney through the Attorney General Honors Program for the U.S. Department of Justice in Atlanta, Georgia, where she was selected from over 2,500 applicants for one of eight positions.

Ms. Quesada is admitted to practice in Florida, including the U.S. District Courts for the Southern, Middle and Northern Districts of Florida; in Georgia, including the Northern and Middle Districts of Georgia; in New York; and the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit.

### NOTABLE RECOGNITION

Ms. Quesada served as one of 12 commissioners appointed to the ABA's Commission on Women in the Profession by the president of the ABA and was the first Hispanic appointed from Florida. Ms. Quesada has been featured in Attorney at Law magazine's Women in Law edition, Law360's series Minority Powerbrokers Q&A, the MCCA's Diversity & the Bar magazine, and Diversity Inc. magazine. She has also been highlighted as a Hispanic leader by Miami Today and South Florida CEO magazine, and honored as a Super Lawyer for Insurance, Top Lawyer in Insurance by the South Florida Legal Guide and Best Lawyer in America for Insurance Litigation. Ms. Quesada is a Fellow of the Litigation Counsel of America, a prestigious association where less than one-half of one percent of American trial lawyers have been invited to join.



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Kim Howard has practiced as a highly skilled defense trial lawyer in Indiana for over 20 years. Ms Howard practices in general defense litigation, including construction, products liability, and transportation law. She also practices in the area of bad faith litigation. Additionally, she devotes a portion of her practice to her small business clients in the areas of contract negotiation, Request for Proposal Responses and general business development. Ms. Howard was the recipient of the 2014 Indiana State Bar Association Civility Award. Ms. Howard attended Indiana University and graduated from Indiana University School of Law at Indianapolis in 1991. E-mail: khoward@smithfisher.com



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