



GEORGIA M. PESTANA

Georgia's love for New York City is long-standing. While attending Barnard, she interned at a City agency, where she noticed how much impact City attorneys had on the NYC community. That led Georgia to study at New York University School of Law, graduating in 1987. Right out of school, she joined our General Litigation Division. She's spent her entire professional career here, aside from a brief experience at the Department of Aging. In 1992, she became Managing Attorney of General Litigation. From 1996 to 2002, she served as its Deputy Chief. When Labor & Employment

Georgia M. Pestana As the first woman and Latina to serve as First Assistant in 2015, Georgia repeated the feat when appointed Corporation Counsel in 2021. Georgia's achievement also marked the first "home grown" office leader. She takes deep pride in her Cuban roots, her family's sacrifices and how they've combined to help shape her career.

Law launched in 2002, Georgia took the reins. She thereafter served as the Chief Assistant Corporation Counsel for Employment & Policy and First Assistant. She won the Corporation Counsel's Award for Distinguished Legal Service, the New York County Lawyers' Association Award for Outstanding Public Service, and the Association of the Bar of the City of New York's Committee on Municipal Affairs Award for Outstanding Achievement.