

Cozen O'Connor Names Three New Managing Partners for Regional Offices

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Cozen O'Connor recently named new office managing partners for three of its regional offices.

Tia C. Ghattas, Chicago – A member in the commercial litigation practice group, Ghattas serves as co-chair of the firm's transportation practice group. She is national coordinating counsel for one of North America's leading manufacturers of component parts for commercial vehicles. Ghattas' litigation practice focuses on commercial matters, products liability defense, construction and toxic tort defense. She has tried more than 25 jury trials to verdict and has participated in numerous alternative dispute resolution forums, such as mediation and arbitration.

Raphael Perez, Newark and Trenton – Perez is co-head of the public and project finance group and a former chair of the firm's diversity committee. He has been involved in a wide variety of public finance projects, acting as bond counsel, underwriter's counsel, trustee's counsel and borrower's counsel, and has represented investment banks, corporations organized under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, for-profit corporations, cities, townships, boroughs, states and their agencies and authorities. He has also represented corporations and financial institutions in transactional and general corporate matters in the United States, Mexico and South America.

Blanca Quintero, San Diego – A member in the San Diego office, Quintero concentrates her practice in subrogation and recovery. She handles cases throughout California, Arizona and Latin America. She is a member of the American Bar Association, the San Diego La Raza Lawyers Association, the Hispanic National Bar Association. She was the 2003-2004 chair of the California State Bar's Committee on Ethnic Minority Relations.

"I am extremely pleased with the firm's decision to appoint these attorneys to office management positions," said Thomas A. Decker, President and CEO of Cozen O'Connor. "We look forward to the continued success of the offices, and the entire firm, under their leadership."