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Day Pitney's Rosendo Garza, Jr. Receives 2025 Graduates of the Last Decade Impact Award by UConn Law School Alumni Association

Day Pitney LLP is pleased to announce that Senior Associate Rosendo Garza, Jr., has been honored by the University of Connecticut Law School Alumni Association with a 2025 Graduates of the Last Decade (GOLD) Impact Award. Garza received the award at the Association's annual meeting and awards dinner on October 28, in recognition of his extensive pro bono service, leadership in the legal community, and commitment to making the profession more accessible and equitable.

Presented annually, the GOLD Impact Award honors UConn Law alumni who graduated within the past ten years and whose careers have already made a substantial and positive impact in the legal community and beyond. The award recognizes early career achievements in areas such as public service, pro bono representation, community engagement, and leadership. For more information on the award and its methodology, click here.

“Through his commitment to pro bono service, Rosendo has made the law a tool for dignity and fairness. His leadership and compassion are an inspiration to colleagues across the profession, and his tireless advocacy for veterans and underserved communities demonstrates how lawyers can profoundly impact lives. He embodies the values of service, justice, and integrity that this award is meant to celebrate,” said Theresa Kelly, chair of the firm's Pro Bono Committee.

Based in Hartford, Garza is a member of Day Pitney's Energy Practice, where he focuses on regulatory, compliance, and transactional matters. He represents clients before the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, the Department of Energy and federal courts, and serves as part of the team acting as general counsel to the New England Power Pool (NEPOOL). In this role, he advises on the design and operation of the region's wholesale electric markets and represents NEPOOL in regulatory proceedings. Before specializing in energy law, Garza worked as a litigator, handling cases involving unfair trade practices, contract disputes, and product liability.

A lieutenant colonel in the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve, Garza completed three tours in Iraq and one in Afghanistan as an infantry officer. He continues to serve fellow veterans through pro bono work, representing clients in landlord-tenant disputes and assisting with discharge upgrades, among other impactful initiatives. In recognition of his service, he has been honored by the Connecticut Bar Association with the Citizen of the Law Award in 2025 and the Honorable Anthony V. DeMayo Pro Bono Award in 2023 (click here for the Connecticut Bar Association's methodology).

Garza is a member of the Connecticut Bar Association, the President-Elect of the Connecticut Hispanic Bar Association, and a member of the Northeast Energy and Commerce Association. He is also the Secretary of the board of directors at the Chrysalis Center. Garza earned his A.B. from the University of Chicago and his J.D., *with honors*, from the University of Connecticut School of Law. He is admitted to practice in Connecticut.

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