

IMMIGRATION UPDATE®

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FosterQuan, LLP is pleased to announce that **Lydia G. Tamez**, former associate general counsel for Microsoft Corporation and a 26-year immigration attorney, has joined the firm as Partner.

In her role at Microsoft, Lydia provided strategic planning, direction and management of the immigration programs, policies and practices for the global IT leader in more than 60 countries. She has more than two decades of experience handling corporate polices related to immigration issues and corporate compliance. While leading one of the nation's largest in-house immigration legal groups, Lydia developed and implemented global corporate compliance initiatives and conducted complex legal analysis with specific focus on employment immigration issues.

Lydia has expertise in a wide range of immigration legal matters including I-9 compliance and audits, E-Verify compliance, employment-based work visas and permanent residency, and immigration issues related to corporate acquisitions. She has been board certified in immigration and nationality law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization for 19 years.

Lydia received her J.D. from Yale Law School and her undergraduate degree from Yale University with cum laude honors. She is admitted to practice in Texas and Washington before the U.S. Supreme Court and U.S District Court. In 2010, she received the Keepers of the American Dream Award given by the National Immigration Forum for tremendous positive impact in the field of immigration. She is also a member of the American Immigration Lawyers Association and the American Immigration Council board of trustees.

We are delighted to welcome Lydia Tamez to the firm and look forward to introducing her to our clients and colleagues.

ABOUT THE FIRM

FosterQuan, LLP offers a full spectrum of U.S. and global immigration legal services to assist corporations with the strategic and compliance issues involved in the employment and movement of key personnel across international boundaries. With a team of attorneys operating from Houston, Austin, San Antonio, Washington, D.C., the Rio Grande Valley and Mexico City, the firm is also the nation's largest minority-owned immigration law firm and has more attorneys board certified in immigration and nationality law than any other Texas law firm. For more information, visit <u>fosterquan.com</u>.