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Press Release

MARIANA E. BAUZÁ ALMONTE APPOINTED AS UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

SAN JUAN, PUERTO RICO (May 16, 2025)- Chief Judge Raúl M. Arias-Marxuach and the Judges of the United States District Court for the District of Puerto Rico (“District of Puerto Rico”) are pleased to announce the appointment of Mariana E. Bauzá Almonte as United States Magistrate Judge for the District of Puerto Rico. Accompanied by her son, Magistrate Judge Bauzá Almonte was sworn in on May 16, 2025.

Judge Bauzá Almonte earned a bachelor’s degree in psychology and political science from Brown University in 2000 and a Juris Doctor from Harvard Law School, where she served as Co-editor in Chief of the Harvard Latino Law Review.

She began her legal career at the District of Puerto Rico as Law Clerk to the late Honorable Salvador E. Casellas, United States Senior District Judge. Before her appointment as magistrate judge, Judge Bauzá Almonte worked at the United States Attorney’s Office for the District of Puerto Rico (“U.S. Attorney’s Office”) for nearly 20 years. While at the U.S. Attorney’s Office, she served as Assistant U.S. Attorney in the appellate and criminal divisions, then as Deputy Chief of the Narcotics Division, and finally as Chief of the Appellate Division.

In congratulating Judge Bauzá-Almonte, Chief Judge Arias-Marxuach said: *“Mariana E. Bauzá-Almonte joins the magistrate judge bench after an accomplished career as a trial and appellate attorney in the U.S. Attorney’s Office. I am confident she will serve with great distinction and welcome her on behalf of the Court.”*

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