

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF PUERTO RICO**



**NOTICE FROM THE CLERK NO. 24-10
P.O.W.E.R. ACT EVENT:
MULTIDISCIPLINARY APPROACH TO GENDER VIOLENCE
Friday, August 30, 2024**

The United States District Court of Puerto Rico, in partnership with the Puerto Rico Women Advocate Office (PRWAO), will host an event addressing gender violence from a multidisciplinary perspective. This event is part of a continuing series¹ highlighting the increasing rates of gender violence in Puerto Rico, and how such violence or behavior harms vulnerable members of our society.

The POWER Act event will be held on **Friday, August 30, 2024** at the Clemente Ruiz Nazario U.S. Courthouse, 150 Carlos Chardon Street, Hato Rey, Puerto Rico. Registration starts at 8:30 a.m. The program will run from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon.

The POWER Act event will feature the following speakers:

- **Madeline Bermúdez-Sanabria**, Esq., Deputy Solicitor, PRWAO
- **Angel A. Rodríguez-Nazario**, Esq., Deputy Solicitor for Legal Affairs, PRWAO
- **Dr. María Rebecca Ward**, Director, Center for Assistance to Sexual Assault Survivors; “Centro de Ayuda a Víctimas de Violación” (CAVV)
- **Laura Hernández**, Esq., Director, Specialized Units for Domestic Violence, Sexual Crimes, Child Abuse, and Drug Courts (Commonwealth of Puerto Rico Justice Department)
- **Mildred Oyola-Narvaez**, Legal Advocate Coordinator, PRWAO
- **Sasha Mauras-Colón**, Legal Advocate
- **Gloria Vázquez**, Director, Casa de la Bondad Shelter

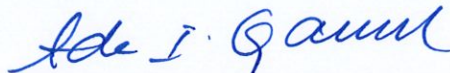
¹ On September 4, 2018, the President of the United States signed S. 717, the “Pro bono Work and Represent (POWER) Act of 2018” (P. L. 115-237). The POWER Act authorizes our judicial district to lead at least one public event, in partnership with a State, local, tribal, or territorial domestic violence service provider or coalition and a State or local volunteer lawyer project, promoting Pro Bono legal services as a critical way in which to empower survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault and engage citizens in assisting those survivors.”

Attorneys interested in registering to attend the POWER Act event are advised that:

- Event registration is on a first-come, first-served basis through the Court's registration application link (sent via email).
- Attorneys must be in good standing and commit to attending the entire event.
- Each attorney must make his or her own registration.
- Registration deadline is **Friday, August 9, 2024.**
- Cancellations must be notified by **August 23, 2024** to the following email address:
prd-cle-registration@prd.uscourts.gov
- No telephone calls for registration will be accepted.
- After the reservation period has ended, the Office of the Clerk of Court will send a confirmation email to registered attorneys with a confirmed space.

BY ORDER OF THE COURT.

In San Juan, Puerto Rico, this 31st day of July, 2024.



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