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Press Release

HONORABLE JUDGE JOSÉ A. CABRANES ENGAGES IN INSIGHTFUL CONVERSATION WITH THE BAR OF THE DISTRICT COURT OF PUERTO RICO

San Juan, Puerto Rico – On December 10, 2024, the Honorable Judge José A. Cabranes, United States Circuit Judge for the Second Circuit, participated in an engaging conversation with members of the bar of the United States District Court for the District of Puerto Rico. This special event, moderated by attorney Nilda Navarro Cabrer, was held at the Sheraton Convention Center Hotel in San Juan as part of the District Court's Continuing Legal Education (CLE) program.

The event welcomed nearly 400 legal professionals eager to gain insights from Judge Cabranes' personal experiences, distinguished career, and judicial perspective. The conversation addressed significant legal and professional topics, including the role of the District Court in Puerto Rico's history and experiences from his tenure as a federal judge. Judge Cabranes also reflected on his upbringing in New York and Puerto Rico, his first meeting with United States Supreme Court Associate Justice Sonia Sotomayor while at Yale Law School, and the enduring connections he has maintained with the island throughout his career.

Judge Cabranes is the 2023 recipient of the Edward J. Devitt award which honors an Article III judge who has achieved a distinguished career and made significant contributions to the administration of justice, the advancement of the rule of law, and the improvement of society as a whole. He was the first Puerto Rican to be appointed to an Article III judgeship in the continental United States. More information on Judge Cabranes's remarkable accomplishments is found at <https://www.ca2.uscourts.gov/judges/bios/jac.html>.

In attendance were members of the District and Bankruptcy Courts of Puerto Rico, including Chief District Judge Raúl M. Arias-Marxuach, District Judges Aida M. Delgado-Colón, Silvia L. Carreño-Coll, Maria Antongiorgi-Jordán, Camille Vélez-Rivé, Gina Méndez-Miró, Senior Judge Jay García-Gregory, Magistrate Judges Marcos López, Marshal D. Morgan, Giselle López-Soler, and U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Edward A. Godoy.

The District Court of Puerto Rico remains committed to promoting professional excellence and providing quality continuing legal education for attorneys practicing within its jurisdiction.

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