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Experience

Rita Mercado is an associate in the Professional Practices Group at Donovan Hatem LLP. Prior to joining Donovan Hatem, Rita was partner at Hogan & Mercado, PC a construction law firm, handling the representation of construction contractors in contractual disputes – particularly bond claims and filing mechanic liens. Prior to working at the construction law firm, Rita served as an insurance defense attorney, defending cases involving complex construction defect and construction accident claims as well as premises liability cases.

Admitted to Practice

- Massachusetts
- United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts

Education

- Suffolk University Law School (J.D., *cum laude*.)
- Tufts University (B.A., International Relations/Peace and Justice Studies.)
- Instituto Internacional (New York University Study Semester Abroad Program, 2000)

Articles and Publications

The United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit Enforces a Waiver of consequential Damages Provision and Holds that a Contractual Indemnity Provision applies only to Third-Party Disputes, The Design and Construction Management Professional Reporter, July/August 2011.

Mississippi Court Affirms Decision in Favor of Architect Whose Design Did Not Meet OSHA Regulations, The Design and Construction Management Professional Reporter, February 2010.

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Additional Information

- Chairman of the Melrose Zoning Board

