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Daniela represents a diverse set of clients in a variety of complex commercial disputes, including trade secret theft, breach of fiduciary duties, and contract disputes. On a team with her LPHS colleagues, Alan Dabdoub, Josh Sandler, and Josh Lang, Daniela successfully tried a contract dispute in a 100% virtual trial via Zoom, achieving a $12.6 million verdict in her clients' favor. In May 2022, Jason Dennis, Greg Brassfield and Daniela also secured a unanimous jury verdict in favor of her clients in the Oldenburg case, further demonstrating her skill in high-stakes litigation.

Daniela started her career working as a litigation associate for an AmLaw 100 firm in Chicago where she represented Fortune 500 companies in labor and employment litigation, including trade secret theft, federal and state discrimination claims and wage claims. In addition to working in state and federal courts, Daniela has represented clients before labor arbitrators, and government administrative agencies. Daniela enjoyed the adventure of clerking for the Honorable James K. Singleton of the United States District Court for the District of Alaska, where she both analyzed the law and the breathtaking nature. During law school, Daniela also served as an extern for the Honorable Gerald E. Rosen of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan.

Daniela earned a Bachelor of Science from New York University and a J.D. and M.B.A. from the University of Michigan Law School and Ross School of Business. During law school, Daniela was an Articles Editor for the ***Michigan Journal of Gender and Law*** and the Scholarship Chair for the Latino Law Students Association.

As a culturally curious adventurer, Daniela has traveled to over 50 countries and is fluent in both English and Spanish. She enjoys spending her free time running races spanning from 5K's to marathons. Daniela loves being a boy mom and living in North Dallas with her husband, Patrick, her son, Lucas, and their English labrador, Nolan.

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EDUCATION

- New York University, Leonard N. Stern School of Business, New York, NY B.S.
  - Dean's List (two semesters)
- University of Michigan Law School, Ann Arbor, MI J.D.
  - Sidley Austin LLP 1L Scholarship, Hispanic Legal Scholarship Fund of Illinois
  - Article Editor, ***Michigan Journal of Gender & Law***
- University of Michigan, Stephen M. Ross School of Business, Ann Arbor, MI M.B.A.
  - Research Assistant, Cindy A. Schipani, J.D., Professor of Business Law

JUDICIAL CLERKSHIPS

- Law clerk for the Honorable James K. Singleton, United States District Court for the District of Alaska

PUBLICATIONS

- The Texas Lawbook: Lessons from Mis Abuelos, October 2022
- *R-Egg-ulation: A Call for Greater Regulation of the Big Business of Human Egg Harvesting,* 23 MICH. J. GENDER & L. 391 (2016)

ADMISSIONS

- State Bar of Texas
- State Bar of Illinois
- United States Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals
- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Texas
- U.S. District Court, Western District of Texas
- U.S. District Court, Southern District of Texas
- U.S. District Court, Northern District of Texas
- U.S. District Court, Northern District of Illinois

HONORS AND AWARDS

- Recognized as a "Texas Rising Star" by ***Super Lawyers,*** 2024-2026
- 2017 Award for Outstanding Scholarly Contribution in Michigan Journal of Gender & Law

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REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

- $12.6 million verdict in my client's favor in contract dispute over supplier contract for alternative energy products
- $2.6 million unanimous jury verdict in my client's favor in breach of fiduciary duty and contract dispute over oil and gas interests
- Representing whistleblower against billion-dollar private equity fund in both federal and state court forums
- Representing natural gas processing plant in negligence dispute with contractors upgrading utility lines that caused electrical fire
- Representing client in breach of contract and declaratory judgment actions valued over $20 million
- Represented alternative energy supplier in breach of contract action resulting in $12.6 million verdict in my client's favor
- Represented individuals in breach of contract dispute over oil and gas interests valued at $15 million resulting in $2.6 million unanimous jury verdict in my client's favor
- Represented alternative energy client in trade secret misappropriation matter and defeated Defendants' motion for summary judgment to force favorable settlement
- Defended in home nursing care provider against individual and collective action FLSA claims and defeated collective action claims on Motion for Summary Judgment, resulting in favorable settlement of individual claims
- Defended franchisee against Fortune 500 franchisor in trademark infringement and breach of contract action
- Represented individual in breach of contract dispute arising out of employment and defeated Defendant's motion for summary judgment to force favorable settlement

PROFESSIONAL AND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- Volunteer Attorney for Advocates for Community Transformation, represented individuals and neighborhood association bringing nuisance claims and seeking injunctive relief to stop criminal activity at neighboring residence resulting in favorable client settlement