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Raising the Bar: All-Star Female Attorneys Partner to Break Glass Ceiling *Announce Formation of Garcia, Sullivan & Lopez, LLP*

Los Angeles/Orange County, CA – Norma Garcia Guillen, Tabitha Rainey Sullivan and Theresa C. Lopez changed the face, profile and future of the legal community by forming [Garcia, Sullivan & Lopez, LLP](#), a premiere boutique law firm founded and managed by the accomplished line-up of all-female attorneys. Garcia Sullivan & Lopez's operating structure will leverage a bench of highly respected attorneys providing counsel from offices located in Orange County's South Coast Metro area as well as in West Los Angeles.

“My partners and I are proud of forming a firm where we will focus on the practice of law, not *just* the business of law. I am especially proud of the fact that we are diverse women with a deep and wide breadth of experience in various practice areas. Garcia Sullivan & Lopez's hallmark will always be its zealous devotion to ensuring that our clients' needs and goals are met,” said [Norma Garcia Guillen, Founding Partner](#).

The Freedom to Tailor Legal Solutions, the Latitude to Litigate

As a premiere boutique law firm, Garcia Sullivan & Lopez is built to avoid the constraints that often restrict and hamper large firms. Instead, Garcia Sullivan & Lopez's model and position in the legal marketplace afford it the invaluable autonomy and latitude to consummate the legal solutions that national and international clients need, demand and deserve.

“In Garcia Sullivan & Lopez, we have built a solid platform on which to grow our business and provide high quality legal services on our own terms,” said [Tabitha Rainey Sullivan, Founding Partner](#). “Our attorneys have the freedom to think outside the box and tailor innovative legal solutions to better serve the legal and business interests of our clients.”

The firm's partners and counselors have represented Fortune 100 corporations and specialize in a broad array of practice areas, including general corporate and transactional law, commercial litigation, cross-border transactions, construction litigation, technology and intellectual property licensing, and class action defense. All the firm's partners are licensed to practice before state and federal courts throughout the country, as well as alternative dispute resolution panels.

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Dynamic, Driven and Diverse Partners

Before founding Garcia, Sullivan & Lopez, LLP, the trio of dynamic, driven and diverse female partners enjoyed successful legal careers at some of the nation's top-flight law firms and graduated from leading law schools. Accomplished in a diverse range of practice areas, Garcia Sullivan & Lopez's attorneys possess more than 60 years of combined legal experience and insight.

"Our clients can count on us to leverage our expertise, experience and knowledge on their behalf. Their interests are our interests, and our resolve and resources will be unequivocally committed to producing the unique legal solutions they require to prosper," said [Theresa C. Lopez, Founding Partner](#).

In addition to being a highly regarded attorney at Crowell & Moring, Ms. Lopez is a graduate of the UCLA School of Law. Her practice areas include business litigation, class action defense, construction counseling and litigation, credit reporting counseling and litigation, and family law. An accomplished litigator, Ms. Lopez's has practiced in both state and federal courts across the western United States and has handled all aspects of litigation from case inception through appeal.

As a senior attorney with Sheppard Mullin Richter & Hampton, Norma Garcia Guillen represented Fortune 100 companies, high profile Latin American clients and managed litigation on behalf of a Receiver in one of the County's highest profile ponzi schemes. Additionally, Ms. Garcia Guillen is a former President of the Orange County Hispanic Bar Association and graduate from the University of Southern California's Gould School of Law. Ms. Garcia Guillen has been featured in numerous publications for both her professional accomplishments and civic contributions. She continues to be a leader in civic and community affairs, including serving as the Chairwoman of the Board of Directors for KidWorks, a non-profit organization committed to restoring inner city neighborhoods through education and community services.

Tabitha Rainey Sullivan was a corporate transactional lawyer at Pepper Hamilton where she specialized in complex commercial transactions such as outsourcing and technology licensing. As a Senior Attorney, Ms. Sullivan represented and provided counsel to a broad range of clients, including leading manufacturers in the software, electronic, cosmetic and healthcare industries. In light of her unique licensing expertise, Ms. Sullivan was secunded by Pepper to a nationally recognized toy and game company for a period of three months where she gained valuable in-house experience. Ms. Sullivan is a member of the California State Bar and the Orange County Bar Association. An Orange County native, Ms. Sullivan will join the Board of Directors for the Boys and Girls Club of the South Coast Area this month.

[Larissa Calva-Ruiz](#) is a corporate attorney licensed to practice in the United States and Mexico. A graduate of the UCLA School of Law and Universidad Iberoamericana, Ms. Ruiz is a former attorney with Sheppard Mullin Richter & Hampton.

About Garcia Sullivan & Lopez LLC.

As a premiere boutique law firm, Garcia, Sullivan & Lopez possesses the autonomy and expertise to tailor the legal and business solutions required to succeed in today's highly complex and hyper competitive world. Garcia Sullivan & Lopez has offices in Orange and Los Angeles. For more, visit [www. GarciaSullivanLopez.com](http://www.GarciaSullivanLopez.com)

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