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Fernando L. Diaz focuses his practice in a variety of areas including environmental litigation, complex litigation, insurance coverage, product liability, and class action litigation. Fernando has also worked with businesses and individuals regarding environmental regulatory matters, and business economic loss claims.

Fernando is a graduate of the University of Illinois College of Law, graduating cum laude in 2016. While in law school, he was a production editor for the *Journal of Law, Technology & Policy*. His note on First Amendment jurisprudence pertaining to internet speech, online defamation and strategic lawsuits against public participation (S.L.A.P.P.) earned Best Note for the 2015-16 publication. He was also a finalist in the Frederick Green Moot Court competition and was one of four competitors invited to join the law school's national moot court team. During his time in law school, Fernando interned for Judge Mary M. Rowland at the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois, and worked as a law clerk at a local law firm drafting motions and other pleadings.

Prior to attending law school, Fernando was the business development manager at a mass-tort litigation firm where he worked closely with businesses, chambers of commerce, and forensic accountants to recover lost profits relating to the Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill of 2010. He also worked with businesses in a product liability class action, and assisted individuals in obtaining EB-5 Investor Visas.

Fernando earned his B.A. in Political Science, with a minor in History, from the University of Florida in 2010. During his time at the University of Florida, he studied abroad at the University of Nottingham in the United Kingdom on a scholarship program.

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