



## PROFILE OF PEDRO PIERLUISI

Former Congressman Pedro Pierluisi, Puerto Rico's Resident Commissioner in Washington, D.C. (2009-2017), rejoined O'Neill & Borges as a member on January 9, 2017. He first joined the firm in 1997 after serving as the Attorney General (Secretary of Justice) of Puerto Rico (1993-1996). Pierluisi's practice focuses on corporate and government matters. He provides strategic counseling and representation to the firm's clients on commercial, project development, public policy and dispute resolution matters.

Pierluisi began his professional career in Washington, D.C., where he practiced law from 1984 until 1990. After his four-year tenure as the Attorney General of Puerto Rico, Pierluisi became a partner in the Litigation Department of O'Neill & Borges and led the establishment of the firm's government & regulatory affairs practice group.

In 2007 Pierluisi decided to run for public office and was elected in 2008 and reelected in 2012 as Puerto Rico's Resident Commissioner. As a Member of Congress Pierluisi obtained \$6.4 billion for Puerto Rico's Medicaid program, the largest increase in federal funding for health care in the island's history, as part of the *Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act*. He also led successful efforts to secure enactment of legislation or promulgation of regulations to treat Puerto Rico hospitals the same as stateside hospitals under Medicare Part A, to increase payments to Puerto Rico physicians under Medicare Part B, and to improve the treatment of Puerto Rico Medicare Advantage plans under Medicare Part C.