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icardo Aponte-Parsi is an attorney in private practice and a Business consultant in the U.S. Territory of Puerto Rico. He obtained a B.A. from Syracuse University (1991) with a major in International Relations and his Juris Doctor from the Inter American University School of Law of Puerto Rico ("Facultad de Derecho Universidad Interamericana de

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His areas of practice include in Civil Law, Contracts, Corporate Law and Real Estate, M & A, Wills, Non Profits, Government Affairs and Notary work. In addition he is the Executive Director of the Energy Committee of Puerto Rico (EcoPR), a trade association that represents the major gasoline wholesalers in Puerto Rico.

Currently he serves in his first term as Vice President of Regions for the Hispanic National Bar Association (HNBA). From 2002 to 2008 served as the HNBA Regional President for Puerto Rico and the USVI and was the Co-Chair of the 2007 HNBA Convention Committee. He served as the President of the Interamerican Association of Businesspeople (AIHE for its Spanish acronym) (2007-2010) and Chair of the Federal Affairs Committee of the Chamber of Commerce of Puerto Rico (2008-2010).

He serves as Board member of the Council of Higher Education and the General Education Council. When these two bodies merge into the Education Council of Puerto Rico, Aponte-Parsi will become its Chairman of the Board, a position to which he was was appointed by the Governor of Puerto Rico and confirmed by the Senate in 2010. He also serves in the Puerto Rico Pilotage Commission, the public entity empowered to authorize, regulate, supervise and impose sanctions on pilotage

In addition, he is a member of a number of professional and civic organizations such as Pro-Bono, Inc, the Santurce Rotary Club, the American Association of Grant Professionals (AAGP), the American Association of Political Consultants, and the American Bar Association (ABA). He and his wife Waleska Rodriguez (LD/MHSN) are the proud parents of a daughter named Monica