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### BIOGRAPHY

Rockard "Rocky" Delgadillo is a Partner with more than 20 years of experience in litigation, economic development transactions, and government law and public policy.

Prior to his corporate legal practice, Rocky served an eight-year tenure, the term limit, as the City of Los Angeles City Attorney. As the city's chief lawyer and chief criminal prosecutor, he led more than 550 attorneys who comprise the second largest municipal law firm in the nation. Rocky was the first Latino to win city-wide office in more than 100 years when he was elected in 2001. Running unopposed, he was re-elected in 2005 to a second four-year term.

During his tenure as City Attorney, Rocky implemented a number of innovative programs to further his vision of a better and safer Los Angeles. His top priorities included fighting crime, improving the quality of life in local neighborhoods, and reducing the city's civil liabilities. In his first term, Rocky more than tripled the number of gang injunctions, contributing to a steep decline in crime in affected areas. Throughout his tenure, he helped make neighborhoods safe by implementing the neighborhood prosecutor program and by reducing the city's liability costs to free up millions of dollars to help pay for police and other crucial city services.

Prior to his election as Los Angeles City Attorney, Rocky was the Deputy Mayor of Los Angeles for Economic Development, where he attracted new jobs to emerging neighborhoods. He created an efficient, neighborhood-friendly approach to business development through the creation of the LA Business Team and in four years, helped bring in billions in private investment to the city.

### EDUCATION

Columbia University School of Law (J.D.)

Harvard University (A.B., with honors)

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## NEWS

- March 31, 2017: Downtown Divided Over Skid Row Neighborhood Council  
*Los Angeles Downtown News*
- April 18, 2016: Liner LLP Selected #6 to The Los Angeles Business Journal's THE LIST: Lobbying Firms  
*Los Angeles Business Journal*
- July 23, 2015: 5 Tips For Winning Over Local Officials In Arena Proposals  
*Law360*
- April 15, 2015: Comcast-TW Cable Merger Debated at California Hearing  
*Variety*
- April 14, 2015: Groups rally against Comcast-Time Warner Cable merger ahead of PUC hearing  
*LA Times*
- July 9, 2013: Health Net's 'Medical Necessity' Definition OK'd By Judge  
*Law360*
- April 30, 2013: Aetna Skirts Docs' False Ad Claim In Reimbursement Fight  
*Law360*
- July 3, 2012: Angela C. Agrusa Leads Legal Battle Against Aetna for CA Physicians
- March 9, 2011: Former L.A. City Attorney Joins Liner  
*National Law Journal*

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## RECOGNITION

- Golden Heart Award, The Midnight Mission
- Eagle and Badge Foundation Honoree, Los Angeles Police Protective League
- Keystone Honoree, Los Angeles Team Mentoring
- Columbia University Medal of Excellence, Most Distinguished Young Alumnus
- Robert F. Kennedy Award, Harvard Football
- Government Official of the Year, Los Angeles Business Journal

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- Anne's Angel Award
  - Humanitarian Award, Optimist Youth Homes and Family Services
  - American Dream Program, Showcase Award by the National League of Cities
  - Attorney of the Year, Hispanic National Bar Association
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## COMMUNITY

- Former Director of Business Development for Rebuild L.A., a non-profit organization formed to bring investment into Los Angeles neighborhoods
  - President and Founding Member of the Los Angeles United Futbol Academy (LAUFA), U.S. Soccer Development Academy. LAUFA works diligently in L.A. to ensure low-income at-risk youth develop their highest athletic and academic potential
  - President of the Board, Benjamin Franklin High School Scholarship Foundation -- to date, the Foundation has awarded over one million dollars to deserving high school students going to college
  - Harvard Alumni Elected Board Member, Cambridge, Mass.
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## REPRESENTATIONS

- Private Real Estate Development Companies
- East West Bank
- Spanish Language American Television Broadcast Network
- Philip D'Amato Racing
- Liberman Broadcasting
- Laurus Corporation
- Hunt Enterprises
- National Electrical Contractors Association
- Sheet Metal & Air Conditioning Contractors' National Assoc.
- Los Angeles Unified School District
- Northern California Soccer