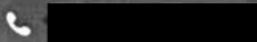




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LATINO LAWYERS ASSOCIATION OF QUEENS COUNTY

- Founding Member and Current
Advisory Board Member

RATINGS

- New York City Bar Association:
"Approved".
- The LGBT Bar Association of
Greater New York (LeGaL):
"Highly Approved".

EDUCATION

HOFSTRA UNIVERSITY
SCHOOL OF LAW | L.I., NY

- Juris Doctor

FORDHAM UNIVERSITY
BRONX, NY

- Bachelor of Arts

OXFORD UNIVERSITY
UNITED KINGDOM

- Scholar, Political Science

LANGUAGES

- English (Fluent)
- Spanish (Fluent)

SANDRA PÉREZ

JUDGE OF THE NEW YORK CITY CIVIL COURT
COUNTY OF QUEENS

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Judge of the New York City Civil Court County of Queens

ELECTED NOV. 2023- PRESENT

- Preside over a wide range of matters at the Queens Civil Court, including the Consumer Debt part, No-fault, Small Claims, Trial part, and self-represented calendars.
- Conducted over 147 trials including: bench trials, jury trials, and inquests.
- Tried jury and summary jury trials; hear and decide hundreds of procedural and substantive motions; conduct hearings on infant compromise matters, name and gender change petitions.
- Presented one of the Summer 2024 seminar series along with two other jurists, on Conducting Jury Trials for Judicial Interns and attorneys.

Perez Law Offices PLLC Queens, NY Managing Attorney

FEBRUARY 2021 - DECEMBER 2023

- Represent individuals facing prosecution in Supreme, Criminal Courts of New York and Federal Court.
- Litigate felony charges, misdemeanors and post-conviction motions for persons falsely accused.
- Represent victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, and other gender crimes to obtain immigration status. Conduct bond hearings and removal cases at Immigration Court.
- Petition for U.S. Citizenship; unaccompanied minors in the U.S.; and file for family re-unification.

Law Office of Usman B. Ahmad, LLP., Long Island City, NY

AUGUST 2019 - FEBRUARY 2021

Associate Attorney

- Conducted hearings and trials in federal court.
- Interpreted the N.Y. Penal Code for immigration cases involving criminal arrests.
- Successfully litigated bond motions for the release of individuals and families from federal custody.
- Drafted appeals and argued motions before the Immigration Courts.
- Successfully obtained Asylum for individuals facing persecution based on religion, sexual orientation and gender-based persecution.

Youman, Madeo & Fasano, LLP, NYC

JULY 2018 - MARCH 2019

Associate Attorney

- Litigated a high volume of cases in Federal Court.
- Filed petitions for adjudication of U visas for crime victims.
- Successfully litigated in Family Court on behalf of minor children to obtain Special Immigrant Juvenile Status.
- Drafted and filed provisional waivers to unify spouses and families in the United States.
- Obtained rulings after trial, granting Cancellation of Removal for numerous parents of American children suffering from serious medical conditions.

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COUNTY OF QUEENS

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Northern Manhattan Improvement Corp, NYC

FEBRUARY 2017 - APRIL 2018

Coordinating Immigration Attorney

- Supervised the Immigration Department at not-for-profit organization in a predominantly Spanish-speaking community.
- Trained attorneys and paralegal staff at two ActionNYC sites.
- Represented indigent persons faced with past criminal convictions, immigration, Violence against Women's Act cases, DACA, and TPS.
- Successfully obtained full accreditation for the organization from the Board of Immigration Appeals.
- Collaborated with senators, community leaders, churches, high schools, the NYPD, and conducted bilingual Know-your-Rights presentations.
- Authored a U-Visa training manual for the pro-bono representation of crime victims, and delivered a presentation for private law firms in collaboration with the New York Lawyers for Public Interest, Goldman Sachs, and Debevoise Plimpton.
- Reviewed proposed legislation and testified before the New York City Council on the impact of DACA and the future of DREAMERS.

New York County Defenders, NYC

JUNE 2011- JULY 2015

Attorney-in-Charge, Criminal-Immigration Unit

- Created the organization's first criminal-immigration unit, pursuant to *Padilla v. Kentucky*.
- Authored practice advisories for 50 defense attorneys.
- Briefed prosecutors and judges on the relevant federal legal issues affecting pending criminal cases.
- Presented criminal practice seminars for all attorneys and authored training materials for Bar-approved CLE credits.
- Acted as sole point person on call, providing legal advice to attorneys at arraignments.
- Served on the New York State Bar, Office of Indigent Legal Services and contributed in drafting the Best Practices protocol for the Representation of Non-Citizens.
- Provided guidance on pending criminal court cases for members of the Fordham Law Clinic.

Perez Law Offices & Associates, P.C., Kew Gardens, N.Y.

FEBRUARY 1997 - JUNE 2011

Managing Litigation Attorney

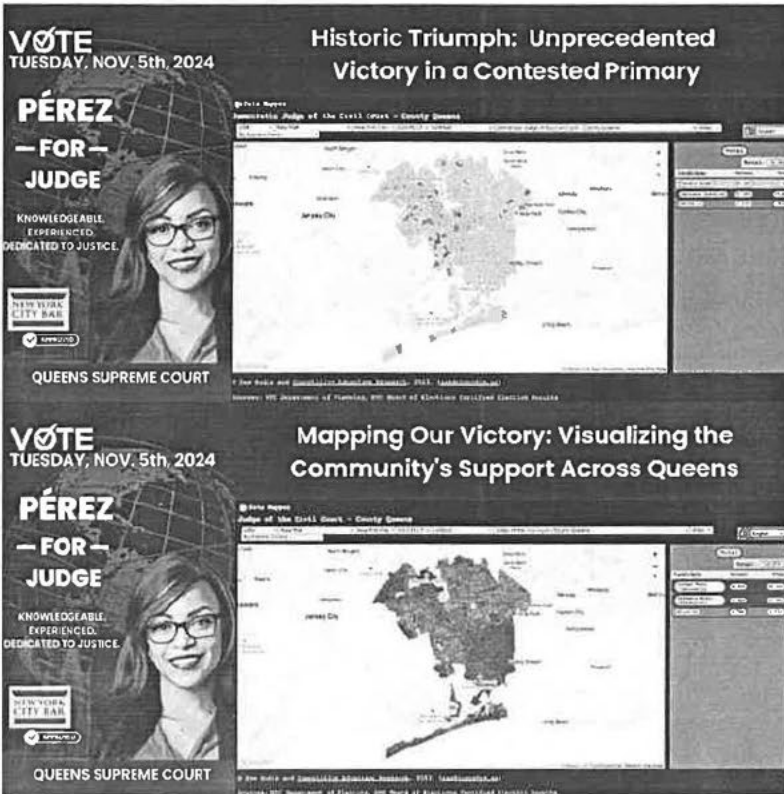
- Tried numerous cases in State and Federal Courts.
- Successfully argued a Writ of Habeas Corpus before the Appellate Division, Second Department.
- Drafted, litigated, and successfully argued post-conviction motions.
- Cross-examined medical, law enforcement, forensics, and other experts during trial.
- Certified to serve on the Assigned Counsel Plan for the Second Department.
- Mentored young men charged with crimes to avoid recidivism.
- Guest speaker/panelist for the Queens County Bar Association's Criminal Law Series.
- Served on the Judiciary Committee for the Queens County Bar Association.

Office of the Kings County District Attorney, Brooklyn, N.Y

NOVEMBER 1994 - FEBRUARY 1997

Assistant District Attorney

- Litigated a large volume of criminal cases, including robbery, weapons, burglary, assault.
- Interviewed crime victims and witnesses.
- Investigated crime scenes.
- Assisted victims of domestic violence and sex crimes.
- Interviewed police officers and drafted criminal complaints.
- Mentored school children through the Choices and Consequences program.



Sandra Perez's Outstanding Electoral Performance in 2023

The recent electoral history of Queens, New York, highlights Sandra Perez's exceptional performance in 2023 compared to the fragmented results of 2024.

Dominant Victory in 2023:

Sandra Perez dominated the 2023 election for the Democratic Judge of the Civil Court in Queens, securing 67.06% of the votes (37,348 out of 55,694). Her support was widespread across Queens, from LaGuardia Airport neighborhoods to southern residential areas.

Fragmented Results in 2024:

In contrast, the 2024 election was highly competitive and fragmented, with a significantly

higher voter turnout of 99,874. The leading candidate secured only 29.84% of the votes, with other candidates close behind. The 2024 map showed divided support, unlike the cohesive backing for Perez in 2023.

Comparative Analysis:

1. Vote Share:

- Perez's 67.06% in 2023 far exceeded the leading 2024 candidate's 29.84%.
- Total votes were higher in 2024 (99,874 vs. 55,694), indicating increased voter engagement but fragmented support.

2. Geographical Distribution:

- In 2023, Perez's support was cohesive across Queens. In 2024, support was dispersed among multiple candidates.

3. Increased Voter Turnout:

- Despite higher turnout in 2024, no candidate matched Perez's success, highlighting her unique ability to mobilize diverse voters.

Additionally, 2023 was a non-major election year, yet Sandra still motivated a large voter turnout.

Conclusion:

Sandra Perez's 2023 performance stands out for her decisive majority and broad support. The fragmented 2024 results, despite higher turnout, emphasize the challenges other candidates faced. Perez's electoral strength serves as a benchmark for future candidates to understand voter engagement in Queens.