

Margaret “Maggie” Castinado

Dedicating her life to public service, Maggie has worked 20+ years as a Public Defender while devoting her time to mentoring young lawyers and students. She serves on boards of Connecticut Bar Foundation (7 years), Connecticut Hispanic Bar Assn. (15+ years), Statewide Legal Services (4 years), New Haven Legal Assistance (4 years) and serves on CBF, NHLAA and James Cooper nominating committees.

Dedicated to the CBA, Maggie is the current Treasurer and member of COVID-19 2020 Federal & Judicial Branch and Legal Profession task forces. As young lawyer, she served YLS Co-Chair of Diversity and Inclusion committee and Executive Committee, helping to implement the 1st YLS D & I Awards Dinner. She recently served 5 years on HOD, 1 year on BOG, 2 years Co-Chair of DEI, 5 years on Awards, and 4 years on LPRC committees.

Maggie is past president of the CHBA, a James Cooper Fellow, has been a panelist on women in the law, diversity and inclusion, higher education, and career development. In 2020, she received leadership award from the Hispanic National Bar Association, Region 1. Maggie attended the ABA’s Collaborative Leadership Program and the HNBA’s Latina Leadership Academy. Maggie has been a coach since 2016 for the HNBA’s National Moot Court Competition and volunteered for Law Camp since its inception.

Maggie commits to meeting the needs of all CBA members by responding to member concerns, ensuring we have a voice in our government and continue to make CBA a diverse, supportive organization.