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Mrs. Sandra E. Torres López, Esq. President, Puerto Rico Telecommunications Regulatory Board

Attorney Sandra E. Torres López was born on November 20, in Humacao, Puerto Rico where she lives with her family during the elementary, intermediate and high school years. In 1976, she obtained a Bachelor of Arts with a concentration in Sociology from the University of Puerto Rico, Río Piedras campus graduated “Cum Laude” and a degree of Juris Doctor from the Faculty of Law of the Inter-American University of Puerto Rico, in 1979.

In 1979, Attorney Torres began to work in the Puerto Rico Telephone Company (PRTC), to whom she dedicated 30 years of her professional career. This experience gave her a broader perspective and practice of law as a litigant lawyer, serving a wide variety of legal matters, regulatory, contractual, labor and corporate. Served in several posts at the level of monitoring within the Vice President of Legal Affairs, being manager of the Division of contracts, and Managing Director of the Division of litigation, consultations and legislation. These experiences of leadership provided her the opportunity to learn all the areas and functions of the company’s legal, letting her ascend and occupy the positions of Director Department of Legal and Regulatory Affairs in March until 2004; Director Department of Legal Affairs and Corporate, January 2007; Director of the Litigation Department of Corporate, General and Labor until October 2009 when she retired.

One of its greatest achievements was being appointed as Municipal Judge in the town of Aguadilla, acquiring enriching experiences for her professional growth. In parallel with her career, the University of Puerto Rico gave her the opportunity to teach Criminal Justice and Paralegal courses. This direct contact with the students added to their vocational training the ability to transmit their knowledge to others and learn from the particular experiences of other people.

Since November 18, 2009 and for a six-year term is the President of the Telecommunications Regulatory Board. Her responsibilities included the administration of the Agency, which faculties quasi-legislative, judicial and quasi-adjudicative processes in any matter which regulates the industry of telecommunications, including but not limited to fixed telephony, mobile telephony, cable television and satellite equipment.

Attorney Torres was recently named by the Honorable Governor Luis Fortuño Buset, to address the Inter-agency Committee working to eradicate theft of copper in Puerto Rico. Also is a member of the Council of Public Security and Justice, member of the Committee of Infrastructure and Environment and member of the Broadband task force.