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Former Florida Representative Miguel De Grandy Joins Holland & Knight

MIAMI – June 7, 2013 – Holland & Knight is pleased to announce that Miguel De Grandy has joined the firm's Miami office as a partner. Mr. De Grandy was a member of the Florida House of Representatives from 1989 to 1994 and most recently was the principal shareholder at his own boutique government affairs firm.

Mr. De Grandy has been practicing law for more than three decades in South Florida, providing legal representation for clients wishing to do business with city, county and state governmental agencies. In addition to government procurement, he also handles administrative and regulatory, land use and zoning, environmental, bid protest, and litigation matters.

Mr. De Grandy honed his skills as an Assistant State Attorney in Florida's 11th Judicial Circuit, serving as lead prosecutor in dozens of jury trials. He developed a unique perspective on the governmental, regulatory, and administrative processes in the State of Florida through his years in leadership positions while serving as a member of the Florida House of Representatives, where he was the ranking member of the Judiciary Committee and served as chairman of the Cuban-American Caucus of State Legislators (1992-1993).

"Miguel brings a solid record of civic involvement, community leadership, and distinction in managing complex legal issues to our firm," said Adolfo Jimenez, chair of Holland & Knight's South Florida Litigation Practice Group. "He has been involved in some of the most high-profile local land use and government procurement matters and has an excellent reputation in the area of public policy. His abilities are well known and will nicely complement our firm's existing strengths in litigation, real estate, and corporate transactions."

"I have worked with many Holland & Knight lawyers throughout my legal and political career and I greatly admire their talent and professionalism," said Mr. De Grandy. "I'm pleased to offer my clients the strength and diversity of a large firm with an international platform and record of outstanding client service to address all their legal needs."

Mr. De Grandy has earned and maintains the prestigious AV Peer Review Rating from Martindale-Hubbell. He has also been included in *Florida Trend's* Legal Elite (representing the top 2 percent of all lawyers in the state) and in the *South Florida Legal Guide's* "Top Lawyers in South Florida." While serving in the Florida legislature, he was rated as the most effective Republican member of the Florida House from 1990-1994 by an independent review sponsored by *The Miami Herald*.

Mr. De Grandy is the latest addition to Holland & Knight's Florida roster of former civic and government leaders, which includes former Governor Bob Martinez, former U.S. Representative Jim Davis, and former U.S. Representative Ron Klein.

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