



Above Left (l to r): Javier A. Lopez (panelist); Maria Garcia (president of the Cuban American Bar Association); Jason Ian Poblete (panelist); and Candice Balmori (moderator). Top right: Event attendees, including Stephanie M. Gomez, vice chair of the Federal Bar Association International Law Section. Bottom right (l to r): Candice Balmori (moderator); Javier A. Lopez (panelist); and Jason Ian Poblete (panelist).

SECTION ON INTERNATIONAL LAW

On June 27, the FBA International Law Section collaborated with the Cuban American Bar Association to host an exclusive event (and webinar) on Title III of the Helms-Burton Act. For the first time in history, Title III was not suspended by the president, allowing lawsuits to proceed against any defendant trafficking in property that was confiscated by the Cuban government. The first panelist was Jason Ian Poblete, attorney and principal of Poblete Tamargo LLP, based in Washington, D.C. Poblete is an expert in national security and international law who focuses his practice on compliance with U.S. economic sanctions and export control laws. The second panelist was Javier A. Lopez, partner at Kozyak Tropin & Throckmorton LLP in Miami who has particular expertise in advising and representing international clients in matters brought in U.S. federal and state court. The panel discussed the statutory requirements for bringing a Title III claim as well as some of the hurdles and preclusions that claimants may face. The FBA International Law Section's Vice Chair Stephanie M. Gomez is an associate

at Kozyak Tropin & Throckmorton and is handling several of Title III claims. She is happy to answer any questions regarding Helms-Burton and can be reached at sgomez@kttl.com. ☺

SECTION ON YOUNGER LAWYERS DIVISION

During the months of June and July, the Federal Bar Association held its annual Summer Law Clerk Program. The Summer Law



Judge Royce Lamberth speaking to interns.



Judge Advocate Panel at the Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces.

Clerk Program, sponsored by the U.S. Army Judge Advocate General and organized by the FBA Younger Lawyers Division, allows law interns working in the federal sector to meet, learn from, and network with a number of established practitioners in both the private and public sector. The program serves as an opportunity for the law school students to discuss career development, agency missions and

operations, and employment opportunities. It also provides participants with an opportunity to network with fellow interns working for other agencies. This year, over 200 students from agencies throughout the federal government participated in the Younger Lawyers Division's Program.

The program kicked off with an opening reception at the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia, which included remarks from Senior District Court Judge Royce Lamberth. Throughout the course of the summer, interns were invited to tour nine federal agencies and to attend six roundtable panels, including panels on careers in the Department of Justice, in tax law, and as judge advocates; life as an assistant U.S. attorney; and a speed mentoring session with attorneys practicing in transportation and transportation security law.

The summer-long program concluded with a reception at the FBA National Headquarters thanks to the generous support of the FBA's Federal Litigation Section and Veterans and Military Law Section. Interns mingled with FBA leaders, enjoyed food and beverages, and learned more about what the FBA has to offer. The FBA and Younger Lawyers Division looks forward to the ongoing use of the program as a way to continue to develop relationships with law students. ☺



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