

Certificate of Merit – Olga Castellòn-Miranda

The Assistant United-States Attorney for Puerto Rico has been awarded a Certificate of Merit. The Special Achievement Award recognizes the carrying out of prosecution duties in the face of particular hardship, or other outstanding achievements which deserve special recognition.

Ms. Castellòn-Miranda, a prosecutor with nearly 25 years of experience, was appointed Assistant United-States Attorney for Puerto Rico in 2017 and has consistently shown dedication to improving the criminal justice system in Puerto Rico, and to promoting collaboration between federal and state officials charged with the administration of Justice.

Notable among her legal achievements are her work in respect of improving public safety by focusing on drug trafficking, guns and gangs, drinking and driving and medicaid fraud. By creating the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit, she was able to promote the development of prosecutorial skills in respect of complex, economic crime.

Ms. Castellòn-Miranda is dedicated to providing prosecutors working under her with the tools and continuing education to allow them to improve their skillset, and by extension, public safety outcomes. One such example is her groundbreaking work to consolidate intelligence and criminal history into one database. She is recognized by staff and peers as a team builder.

Beyond her prosecutorial work, Ms. Castellòn-Miranda is being recognized for her humanitarian work following the devastation caused to the island of Puerto Rico in the wake of hurricanes Irma and Maria in 2017, where she lead members of her agency in providing assistant to the elderly by triaging cases and providing food, water and medical services. Ms. Castellòn-Miranda's achievements are truly deserving of recognition and respect by her peers at the IAP.