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Attorney Oscar Lizardi has over 25 years of corporate and transactional law experience representing large corporations, small businesses, and individuals in a variety of business transactions.

Mr. Lizardi has practiced law for 25 years representing lenders, both credit unions and banks, in financing and lending transactions, with an emphasis on real estate related lending. In addition to the initial lending transaction, Mr. Lizardi has substantial experience representing both lenders and borrowers in negotiating and documenting forbearance and “workout” agreements. His experience and skills bring a unique prospective to accomplish each client’s goal while mitigating the risk associated with each lending transaction or forbearance and “workout” agreement.

Mr. Lizardi is AV Preeminent Peer Review Rated through the Martindale Hubbell®, a Southwest Super Lawyer in Business/Corporate Law, *The Best Lawyers in America*® Best Lawyer in Corporate Law, and awarded Tucson Business Man of the Year by the Tucson Hispanic Chamber of Commerce in 2016.

Admissions and Professional Activities

- United States District Court, District of Arizona
- United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit
- State Bar of Arizona: Sections on Real Property Law, International Law and Immigration Law
- American Bar Association: Section on Immigration Law
- American Immigration Lawyers Association
- Pima County Bar Association

Publications, Speeches, and Training

- Board/Management Relations, Responsibilities and Governance, October 2015
- Creditor Union Board of Directors and Supervisory Committee training regarding Corporate and Credit Union fiduciary duties owed to its members, July 2015
- Finance and Insurance Requirements in the Retail Automobile Industry, October 2014
- Breaking Bad: Ins and Outs of a Business Divorce, June 2014

EDUCATION

- University of Arizona, J.D., *cum laude*, 1995:
Valdamar Corodova Scholarship Recipient
- Arizona State University, B.S., Finance, 1991

PRACTICES

- Contracts
- Immigration Law
- Internal Investigations
- Restrictive Covenants, Confidentiality/Trade Secret & Intellectual Property Rights
- Business Formation & Corporate Governance
- Agriculture
- Acquisition & Disposition
- Commercial Property & Real Estate Development
- Finance
- Land Use, Zoning & Condemnation
- Construction
- Bank & Credit Union Representation
- Private Placements
- Mergers, Acquisitions & Divestitures
- Government Contracts

- Hazardous Waste and Customs Policies Along the U.S./Mexico Border: Through the Maze of Legal and Administrative Requirements, Hazwaste 96 Symposium
- Legal Aspects of Medicine: Entering the Workforce, May 2014
- Ethics, October 2012
- Ethics and the Real Estate Lawyer, October 2005
- Non-Immigrant Work Visas, March 2003
- Overview of the United Nations Convention on Contracts for the International Sale of Goods, February 2002
- Basic Contract Consideration in Cross-Border Transactions, February 2002

Honors & Awards

- Tucson Hispanic Business Man of the Year, Tucson Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, 2016
- Southwest Super Lawyers, Business/Corporate Law, Thomson Reuters, 2016 - 2019
- AV Rated Lawyers, Martindale-Hubbell Ratings, (2010)
- *The Best Lawyers in America*®, Corporate Law, 2009 - 2011, 2020, 2021
- Top Lawyers in Tucson, Tucson Lifestyle Magazine, Corporate Law, 2009, 2010, 2011
- Tucson Business Edge, 40-under-40 Award, Recipient, 2005

Community Involvement

- Vantage West Credit Union, Board Chair, November 2018-Present
- First Tee Board of Directors, 2017-Present, current President of Board
- University of Arizona President Search Advisory Committee, 2016
- Tucson Conquistadores, Board of Directors, 2012-2016; President 2015-2016
- Tu Nidito Children and Family Services, Board of Directors, 2014-Present
- Angel Charity for Children, Advisory Board Member, 2011-Present
- San Miguel High School, Board of Trustees, July 2008-June 2014 and Chairperson of the Board of Trustees, July 2011-2013
- Children's Action Alliance Board of Directors, January 2009-2013
- Child and Family Resources, Inc. Board of Directors, 1998-2009; Board Vice Chair, 2005-2006, Board Chair, 2007-2009
- Hispanic Professional Action Committee, President, 2005
- University of Arizona Law College Association, Board of Directors, 2001-2005
- Arizona State Board of Directors for Community Colleges, 2001-2003
- Tucson Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, Board of Directors, 1996-1998
- The Governor's Southern Arizona Hispanic Advisory Committee, 1994-1996

Personal

I enjoy being involved in my local community. I passionately believe education is the key to improving the socio-economic conditions of individuals. I am also passionate about improving the lives of children. To that end, I proudly serve on various community boards which focus on improving the socio-economic conditions of children through education, advocacy and youth sports related activities. Aside from my community involvement, I enjoy spending time with my wife and two daughters, cycling, running, golfing, and wine and single malt scotch tasting.