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Education

JD, The University of Texas at Austin
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In Memoriam

The Katten community is deeply saddened by the sudden loss of our friend and mentor, Judge Jorge A. Solis, who passed away on October 8, 2021. Judge Solis was greatly respected as a trailblazing attorney and jurist, passionate advocate and devoted public servant.

A former chief federal judge, Judge Solis was counsel in the firm's litigation practice, where he provided invaluable assistance to many of our litigators.

Judge Solis began his legal career as an assistant criminal district attorney for the Taylor County District Attorney's Office in Abilene, Taylor County, Texas in 1976. He went into private practice in 1981. Then in 1982, he was elected as the first Hispanic District Attorney for Taylor County, serving in that role in until 1987. He was a special prosecutor for the Narcotics Task Force in 1988 before running for judge.

Judge Solis was serving as the Taylor County District Judge of the 350th District Court of Texas when, in 1991, President George H.W. Bush nominated him as a United States District Judge for the Northern District of Texas. He served as chief judge for the Northern District of Texas before retiring from the bench in 2016.

During his judicial tenure, Judge Solis presided over hundreds of trials involving patent, trade secret, trademark, oil and gas, antitrust and securities litigation. These trials included class action suits; Securities and Exchange Commission enforcement actions; disputes involving the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act; employment issues; and other complex commercial disputes.

He came out of semi-retirement in 2018 to join Katten's Dallas office in 2018 as counsel.

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Recognitions

Recognized or listed in the following:

- *Best Lawyers in America*
 - Commercial Litigation | Criminal Defense: White-Collar, 2021–2022
- Katten Muchin Rosenman LLP Pro Bono Service Award
 - 2020

News

- Katten Attorneys Listed in *The Best Lawyers in America*® (August 19, 2021)
- Katten Attorneys Honored for Their Sustained Commitment to Pro Bono Service Including COVID-Related Work (October 28, 2020)
- Katten Attorneys Distinguished as Top Legal Talent in the 2021 *Best Lawyers in America* and *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch* Lists (August 20, 2020)
- Katten Adds Former Federal Judge, Top Corporate, Litigation Talent in Dallas (May 9, 2018)
- Newest Members of Katten's Dallas Office Featured in *Texas Lawyer* and *The Texas Lawbook* (May 9, 2018)