

# Fabiola T. Valenzuela

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### Practices

FOCUS: Corporate

Capital Markets

### Education

JD, The University of Chicago

BA, University of Wisconsin

### Bar Admissions

Illinois

Massachusetts

Texas

### Community Involvements

Boston Bar Association

Hispanic National Bar Association

When companies need strategic advice on business transactions, planning or management, they turn to Fabiola Valenzuela, who has the knowledge and experience to help them make the right choices. Fabiola concentrates her practice on structuring, negotiating and documenting business transactions and has represented emerging companies and investors throughout the corporate life cycle across a number of industries.

Fabiola advises investors and companies on a variety of matters, including company formations, mergers and acquisitions, venture capital financings and corporate governance.

### An active pro bono practice

Fabiola commits to giving back to her community. While at Katten, she has maintained an active pro bono practice and represents minors in federal immigration and deportation matters.

In addition, Fabiola received her JD from the University of Chicago Law School, where she was the alumni relations chair for the Latino Law Students' Association and an advocate on behalf of children for the Young Center for Immigrant Children's Rights, an organization that protects and champions the rights of immigrant children.

Before joining Katten, she worked as an associate at a major international law firm. Fabiola received her BA with honors from the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

**"I am always impressed with the speed, quality and value of the work Fabiola provides. She is my first call for emerging company work."**

*- Chambers USA 2023  
(USA Nationwide, Startups & Emerging Companies)  
survey response*

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## Recognitions

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*Recognized or listed in the following:*

- *Chambers USA*
  - Startups & Emerging Companies, 2022–2023
- *Lawyers of Color*
  - Hot List, 2022
- *Super Lawyers Rising Stars*
  - Illinois, 2024

## News

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- Katten Attorneys Named to 2024 Illinois Super Lawyers, Rising Stars Lists (January 25, 2024)
- Katten Represents KnowledgeHound in Acquisition By YouGov (January 12, 2024)
- Katten Advises Exelon Foundation in its 4th Round of Funding Climate-Change Initiatives in Six Markets (June 13, 2023)
- Katten Boosts Rankings in *Chambers USA Guide 2023* (June 1, 2023)
- Katten Grows Its Kattalyst Sponsorship Program (May 24, 2023)
- Fabiola Valenzuela Named to Lawyers of Color's 2022 'Hot List' (December 20, 2022)
- Katten Supports Exelon Foundation's 2022 Investment in Nine Startups Addressing Climate Change (August 22, 2022)
- Katten Ranked Leading Law Firm by *Chambers USA 2022* (June 1, 2022)

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- Katten Represents Lead Investor PSP Growth in OpenSpace's \$102M Series D Financing (March 7, 2022)
- Katten Names Litigation and Corporate Associates as Leadership Council on Legal Diversity Pathfinders (March 3, 2022)
- Katten Advises Exelon Foundation Again in Funding Startups to Address Climate Change (June 15, 2021)
- Katten Helps Mediafly Raise \$25 million in Equity and Debt (February 1, 2021)
- Katten Represents Cubii in a Strategic Growth Investment from Gridiron Capital (October 7, 2020)
- Katten Advises Exelon Foundation in Funding Startups Tackling Climate Change (July 29, 2020)

## Presentations and Events

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- Investing for Tomorrow: Health Care Institutions as Investors, Strategic Investment Partners and Entrepreneurs – Part 1 (December 13, 2023)
- Katten 2023 Diversity Summit (June 12–14, 2023) | *Presenter* | *Unwritten Rules for Success as a Junior Associate*
- Startup Law 101, Hosted by Meta (May 4, 2023)