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ATTORNEYS AT LAW

## JORGE VEGA

PARTNER

Jorge Vega joined Hatcher Stubbs on January 1, 2006. Jorge has been practicing law, primarily civil litigation, since his admission to the State Bar of Texas in 1983. He is also admitted to practice law in Washington State (2002), and in 2005 became licensed in the State of Georgia.

From January 1994 until January 1999, Jorge served as the First Assistant Attorney General for the Texas Attorney General's Office where he was responsible for the management and supervision of the entire Office of the Attorney General, comprised of approximately 650 lawyers plus over 3,000 employees. In that capacity, he made all final major litigation decisions, as well as final management, personnel, and administrative decisions and had direct oversight of all contracts and a \$250 million annual budget. Jorge was responsible for communication and contact with all elected and appointed officials, and worked with the Texas Legislature on all matters, including appropriations, legal issues, legislation, etc. He was responsible for meeting with business and community leaders, county and city officials, members of the judiciary, and members of the public to address matters of public importance.

After leaving the Attorney General's Office, Jorge returned to private practice in San Antonio, again, in civil litigation, until he accepted the position of Planning Director for the City of Bellingham, Washington, in early 2003. He served in that capacity until relocating to Columbus, Georgia, in December 2005 and joining Hatcher Stubbs in January, 2006.

Jorge also taught Constitutional Law at the graduate and undergraduate level at the University of Texas at San Antonio.

### Areas of Practice

- Civil Litigation
- Administrative Law

### Education

- B.A., Political Science, *magna cum laude*, University of Texas at San Antonio, 1979
- J.D., Harvard Law School, 1982

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## **Admitted to Practice**

- Texas (May, 1983)
- Washington (July, 2002)
- Georgia (June, 2005)
- United States District Courts of Texas, Fifth Circuit, Western District (1989), Southern District (1993), Northern District (1993), and Eastern District (1993)
- United States Court of Appeals, Fifth Circuit (1993)
- United States Supreme Court (1993)
- U.S. District Court, Middle District of Georgia (2006)
- Georgia Court of Appeals (2006)
- Georgia Supreme Court (2006)
- United States Court of Appeals, Eleventh Circuit (2008)

## **Memberships, Affiliations and Activities**

- Access to Justice Committee, State Bar of Georgia (2006-present)
- One Columbus, Columbus, Georgia (Board of Directors, 2006-present)
- The Family Center, Columbus, Georgia (Board of Directors, 2007-present)
- Alamo Heights Rotary Club, San Antonio, Texas (Board of Directors, 2002-2003; International Service Lane Chair, 2001-2002)
- Goodwill Industries (Board of Directors, 2001-2003)
- University of Texas at San Antonio Alumni Association (Board of Directors, 2002-2003)