

MEMORANDUM

TO: Members of the University Community
FROM: Mark B. Rosenberg, President
SUBJECT: Appointment of Interim General Counsel
DATE: January 12, 2010

It is my pleasure to announce the appointment of Isis Carbajal de Garcia as Interim General Counsel for FIU. Isis has served as Deputy General Counsel since 1997 and brings with her an exemplary record of legal work in both the public and private sectors spanning 31 years.

Before arriving at FIU, Isis was a member of the law firm of Gunster, Yoakley, Valdes-Fauli & Stewart, P.A. and, prior to that, served as an Associate General Counsel at the University of Florida for 13 years. She has also served as a staff attorney with the United States Department of Education's Office for Civil Rights and as a legal intern with the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development and Community Legal Services, Inc.

While at FIU, Isis has represented the University in diverse matters including employment, research, and intellectual property. She has served as an adjunct faculty member in the College of Arts and Sciences and the College of Business. Isis is an active member of the National Association of College and University Attorneys, where she was on the Board of Directors from 2002 to 2005. Isis has also held leadership position in statewide and local organizations.

Ms. Carbajal de Garcia received her B.A., with high honors, from the University of Florida, and her law degree from the University of Pennsylvania Law School, where she was a school representative in the Philip J. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition. Isis was a national finalist for the White House Fellowship in 1988. Isis is admitted to the U.S. Supreme Court, is an active member of the Florida Bar and an inactive member of the Pennsylvania Bar.

I am confident that Isis will keep the General Counsel's Office running smoothly and provide the highest level of legal service. As we transition, please join me in thanking Cristina Mendoza for her dedicated service to FIU. A search committee will be appointed shortly to conduct a national search for the permanent General Counsel.