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Cecilia V. Estolano joined the Community Redevelopment Agency of the City of Los Angeles as CEO on May 8, 2006. Prior to that she was counsel in the Los Angeles office of Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher. Her practice focused on land use, zoning, redevelopment, municipal law, the California Environmental Quality Act and environmental permitting and regulatory issues.

From 2001 to 2004, Ms. Estolano served as Special Assistant City Attorney for land use, economic development and environment for Los Angeles City Attorney Rocky Delgadillo, where she presided over a major restructuring of the office to create the Real Estate and Economic Development Practice (REED) Group. As Supervising Attorney of REED, Ms. Estolano managed 60 attorneys handling land use, real estate, redevelopment, economic development, public finance and environmental matters for the City of Los Angeles and the Los Angeles Community Redevelopment Agency. Ms. Estolano was the City's lead attorney on all major land use, real estate and economic development projects. She was also the City's top negotiator in achieving a landmark settlement in Clean Water Act litigation brought by the U.S. Department of Justice, U.S. EPA Region IX, the State of California and the Santa Monica Baykeeper regarding the City's sewer system.

Prior to joining the City Attorney's Office, Ms. Estolano practiced land use, real estate and environmental law as an associate in Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher's Los Angeles office.

Ms. Estolano's public sector background includes experience at the local, state and federal level. Ms. Estolano served on the California Coastal Commission from 1999 to 2002 as an appointee of the Speaker of the California Assembly. From 1993 to 1995, she served as Senior Policy Advisor with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, where she advised the Assistant Administrator for Air and Radiation on mobile source regulations, state and local relations and California air quality issues. She served as Los Angeles Mayor Tom Bradley's Environmental Policy Advisor from 1991 to 1993.

Ms. Estolano serves on Los Angeles Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa's Transition Team and has sat on the boards of directors for several organizations, including Lambda Legal, the California League of Conservation Voters and Heal the Bay. She has served on the California Advisory Board of the Trust for Public Land, the Advisory Board of the Sustainable Cities Program at the University of Southern California and as Co-Chair of the U.S. EPA Clean Air Act Advisory Committee, Subcommittee on Energy, Transportation and Air Quality.

Ms. Estolano is a graduate of Boalt Hall School of Law and holds an M.A. in Urban Planning from UCLA. She received her undergraduate degree in Social Studies with honors from Harvard-Radcliffe Colleges.