

TWO ERVIN COHEN & JESSUP PARTNERS NAMED MINORITY LEADERS OF INFLUENCE

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Ervin Cohen & Jessup today announced that Real Estate Partner and Co-Chair of the Firm's Real Estate Practice Albert C. Valencia and Litigation Partner and Chair of the Firm's Food, Beverage and Hospitality Practice Pooja S. Nair have once again been selected by the *Los Angeles Business Journal* as Minority Leaders of Influence: Attorneys in Los Angeles. The publisher writes that these stellar minority attorneys in the Los Angeles region are “particularly impactful on the legal scene, while serving as trusted advisors, along with maintaining the highest professional and ethical standards.” Pooja and Al were both also recognized by the publication in 2020.

“Pooja and Al are enormously talented lawyers who have continually proven their ability to deliver the Firm’s clients with the highest degree of strategy and service,” said Co-Managing Partner Randy Leff. “In addition to their commitment to clients, they are also influential leaders within the Firm.”

In the January 2021 special report, the *Los Angeles Business Journal* writes that “clients look to [Al] for his experience in a broad range of real estate asset classes including commercial, office, retail, multi-family, mixed-use and industrial properties.” In the last year, Al has represented a multi-family developer in the purchase of at least ten residential properties for redevelopment in Los Angeles County, and the purchase and financing of 7651 and 7501 Esters Boulevard, a 176,700 square foot office complex located outside of Dallas.

The journal commends Pooja on her work last year when she “launched ECJ’s Food, Beverage and Hospitality Group, which provides a full range of legal services to clients across the food, beverage and hospitality industries.” Pooja advises food and beverage clients, startups and other businesses on a comprehensive range of issues, including employment, trade secrets, partnership disputes, contract negotiations and intellectual property.

PROFESSIONALS

Pooja S. Nair

Albert C. Valencia

PRACTICE AREAS

Food, Beverage and Hospitality

Real Estate