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Ms. DeSilva has been actively involved in the Association of Corporate Counsel (ACC) since she became a member in 1989. Previous leadership positions she has held include Member, Policy Committee, National Board of Directors (1997-2003); Chair, National Labor & Employment Law Committee (1995-97); Board of Directors & President, Houston Chapter (1994-95); Chair, Employment & Employee Benefits Committee, Houston Chapter (1990-91). Ms. DeSilva is also a member of the Coordinating Committee of the National Employment Law Council, the American Bar Association's Section of Labor and Employment Law and the Labor and Employment Law Section of the State Bar of Texas.

In addition to her professional activities, Ms. DeSilva is Chair of the Duke Energy Houston Volunteer Council and a member of the Advisory Boards of The Women's Resource and of Texas Accountants & Lawyers for the Arts. In 1996, Ms. DeSilva's volunteer activities were recognized by her employer when she received a Volunteer Excellence Award from PanEnergy Corp.

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