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Rendering further praise where praise is due.

Following up on our October 23 blog entry recognizing additions to our support staff (which now totals four), we welcome our new legal assistant Rose, who primarily is assisting me along with Aleida, who joined us in October as a legal assistant. Rose comes to us with previous legal secretarial experience at a local trial law firm, and a warm heart to match that of everyone else at our firm. Although being bilingual is not mandatory for all positions at our firm, all secretarial staff and attorneys have been fluent in Spanish (other than myself, speaking fluent French and proficient Spanish), with Jay Marks also speaking fluent Portuguese on top of his excellent Spanish. Most of Jay's clients are Spanish speakers, and around twenty percent of my clients at any given time speak Spanish and little English. My one semester of college Spanish studies -- enhanced by many years speaking French beforehand and thereafter -- led to my strengthened Spanish conversational skills both with the Spanish being spoken daily by many of our clients over eight years, and two years of appearing with Jay on our 1998-2000 weekly Spanish-language radio show "Legalmente Hablando: Donde su causa es nuestra causa" ("Legally Speaking, where your cause is our cause"). It is a given for us continuously to recognize and appreciate the efforts and accomplishments of our staff. Our staff members are a critical part of what our law firm is all about. Jon Katz.

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