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## SYLVESTER & STAMELMAN LLP

### Proudly Welcomes Two New Associates and a New Paralegal

Sherman Wells Sylvester & Stamelman LLP is pleased to announce the addition of Tax Associate Bozena (Bonnie) Diaz, a former Associate at Gibbons PC, Litigation Associate John M. Vieira, a former Associate at Clyde & Co LLP and Trust & Estates Paralegal Katrina Gieniec.

#### **Bozena M. Diaz**

Bonnie began her career at a large New York law firm, where she specialized in M&A and capital market transactions for Fortune 500 companies. She currently specializes in tax planning for middle-market corporations, limited liability companies, partnerships, not-for-profit institutions, and individuals. She counsels clients on issues related to acquisitions, tax-free reorganizations, restructurings of their operations, and business and real estate joint ventures. Bonnie's



experience also includes tax controversy matters, and representation of clients before the IRS. She also regularly counsels clients on issues of employee benefits and plan qualification, executive compensation, and employment and severance agreements. Bonnie received her J.D. from the Georgetown University Law Center, and her LL.M. in Tax from New York University School of Law.

## Katrina A. Gieniec

Katrina is a paralegal in the Tax and Trusts & Estates Practice Group at Sherman Wells. She has more than 12 years of experience, with her primary focus on estate and trust administration. Katrina supports the attorneys in her group in the administration of estates from start to finish, including the probate proceeding, marshalling and valuing assets, preparing federal and state estate and inheritance tax returns and accountings, and assisting with federal and state estate tax audits.



Prior to joining Sherman Wells, Katrina was a paralegal with Lindabury, McCormick, Estabrook & Cooper, P.C. She began her career working in New York City at Holland & Knight LLP and later at Day Pitney LLP.

Katrina received an M.A. in business and finance from the Academy of Economics in Krakow, Poland.

## John M. Vieira

John focuses his practice on commercial and banking litigation. He has significant experience representing clients in high-value, complex commercial litigations before state and federal courts. John was previously associated with the New Jersey office of an international law firm where he counseled some of the world's leading insurance companies in a wide array of coverage disputes. Prior to practicing law, John was an equity trader and held the FINRA Series 7 and 55 securities licenses.



John received his J.D., cum laude, from the Rutgers School of Law - Newark.