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ASSOCIATE - Litigation

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Practice Areas

Litigation

Bar Admissions

New York

California: State and Federal Courts

Education

Southwestern Law School

- J.D.

Honors & Activities:

- Accelerated 2-Year SCALE Program
- Recipient, California Bar Foundation Diversity Scholarship
- Quarter-Final Oralist, Appellate Advocacy Intramural Competition
- Student Commencement Speaker
- 2nd Place Appellate Brief Award,
- Tulane Law School Moot Court Competition
- Public Service Distinction, 75 hours of Legal Public Service

University of California (UCLA),
Los Angeles

- B.A. in Philosophy

Damaris Santamaria joined Rosenberg & Estis, P.C. in 2026 and is an Associate with the firm's Litigation Department.

Santamaria has significant experience in housing, criminal defense, immigration, and civil rights law. Her background includes tenant representation, felony-level criminal defense, and humanitarian immigration advocacy, with a strong focus on serving vulnerable communities.

Prior to joining Rosenberg & Estis, P.C., Santamaria was an Associate Court Attorney for the Hon. Miller, where she managed a high-volume calendar of approximately 75 cases per day, conferred with pro se litigants and represented parties, and drafted judicial decisions in nonpayment and holdover proceedings, including post-trial opinions addressing complex issues under the HSTPA and defenses such as succession and breach of the warranty of habitability.

Pro Bono Activities

- Small Claims Court Arbitrator.