

## Gray Reed Attorney Appointed to Houston First Corporation Board of Directors

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Gray Reed Senior Counsel [Sofia Adrogué](#) was one of five people [appointed](#) to the [Houston First Corporation Board of Directors](#) in a ceremony before Houston City Council on July 26, 2017.

Houston First Corporation manages more than 10 city-owned buildings and properties and underground and surface parking. These facilities include the Hilton Americas-Houston hotel, George R. Brown Convention Center, Jones Hall for the Performing Arts, Wortham Theater Center, Talento Bilingue de Houston, Miller Outdoor Theatre, Houston First Outdoors (which includes Jones Plaza and other smaller venues) and Theater District Parking.

Nominated by City of Houston Mayor Sylvester Turner, Adrogué will serve on the 12-member board that's responsible for setting policy for the corporation and approving its major initiatives and expenditures.

"[The newly appointed board members'] individual accomplishments and long records of community service speak volumes; and we look forward to their collective leadership, as well as the energy and passion they will bring to our organization," said David Minberg, chairman of Houston First's board of directors. "We know we can count on these dedicated professionals as we continue our mission to make Houston one of the world's premier destinations."

Adrogué handles complex commercial litigation and multi-party proceedings in state and federal courts, as well as in ADR proceedings throughout the United States and abroad. She represents clients in a wide variety of industries, ranging from entrepreneurs to multinational corporations. Adrogué has been profiled by many publications, including *Texas Lawyer* (one of Texas' Top "40 Under 40"), *Texas Monthly* and *Law & Politics Magazine* ("Texas Super Lawyer"), and *Latino Leaders* (Top Latino Partner in the U.S. and one of 25 Most Influential Hispanic Lawyers). She also serves as the Editor of *Texas Business Litigation* (ALM 2015, 2016, 2017). A native of Argentina, she is a graduate of the Harvard Business School Owner/President Management Program, an alumna of the Harvard Business School, and received her J.D. from the University of Houston Law Center, *magna cum laude*, *Order of the Coif and Barons*, and her B.A. from Rice University, *magna cum laude*, *Phi Beta Kappa*, both on full academic scholarships.

### About Houston First Corporation

Houston First operates the city's finest convention and arts facilities to position Houston as



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a world-class destination. In 2014, Houston First and the Greater Houston Convention and Visitors Bureau aligned operations to create a single voice representing the city under the brand Visit Houston. Houston First owns the Hilton Americas-Houston hotel, manages the George R. Brown Convention Center and 11 city-owned properties and is the driving force in developing the new Avenida Houston entertainment district. Learn more at [HoustonFirst.com](http://HoustonFirst.com) and [VisitHouston.com](http://VisitHouston.com).

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