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Lisa Gomez is the founding member of LMG Collaborative Consulting Solutions, a consulting firm providing services in all areas related to employee benefit plans. Lisa has served as assistant secretary of the Employee Benefits Security Administration of the United States Department of Labor. Previously, she was a partner and chair of the management committee at the law firm Cohen, Weiss and Simon LLP. Lisa has deep technical and practical experience in employee benefits law and has spent almost three decades representing various types of plans. As the head of the Department of Labor's Employee Benefits Security Administration (EBSA), she was responsible for leading an agency with approximately 850 full-time employees nationwide and a budget of approximately \$191 million and was charged with the safeguarding of the job-based retirement, health and other welfare benefits for more than 153 million American workers and retirees and their families. Through her leadership, EBSA oversaw approximately 2.6 million job-based health plans, 801,000 retirement plans, and 548,000 other welfare plans, with combined assets of nearly \$12 trillion, in addition to the oversight of the federal Thrift Savings Program. Lisa has also served as a co-chair of the board of senior editors of the Bloomberg BNA treatise Employee Benefits Law. She also served in various leadership positions with the American Bar Association (ABA) Section of Labor and Employment Law. She was a member of the International Foundation of Employee Benefit Plans and the AFL-CIO Union Lawyers Alliance. Lisa was inducted as a Fellow of The American College of Employee Benefits Counsel, Inc. in recognition of her decades of practice in employee benefits law and her contributions to the field. Lisa was also a member of the advisory board of The Peggy Browning Fund. She previously served as an arbitrator for the American Arbitration Association and as a volunteer mediator for the New Jersey state courts. She was a guest lecturer for the Cornell University School of Industrial and Labor Relations and Hofstra University School of Law on employee benefits. She was named as a Super Lawyer for Employee Benefits on the Super Lawyers New York Metro Annual Lists for 2021 and 2022. Lisa earned her law degree from the Fordham University School of Law and her undergraduate degree from Hofstra University.