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Hassia Diolombi is a leader in Shook, Hardy & Bacon's global product liability group, representing several Fortune 100 companies in various industries. She also is a member of the national counsel team for a tobacco client facing more than 7,500 individual smoker cases in Florida known as the Engle progeny litigation.

"Hassia has leapt into the second chair role for our client at an extraordinarily young age," said law partner Ken Reilly, lead counsel in many smoker trials. "That's no accident. She has demonstrated trial team leadership on each of her Engle trial teams since the inception of the litigation. Both in the office and outside in the realm of trial counsel colleagues, Hassia is viewed as an enormously talented professional."

Before joining Shook Hardy, Diolombi represented Fortune 500 companies and government entities in a diverse range of matters, including litigation involving national, multidistrict class action lawsuits. Now her practice involves defending Fortune 500 clients in cases involving mass torts and class action product liability claims. She is also co-author of several professional articles relating to civil practice and class actions.

A 2012 fellow on the Leadership Council on Legal Diversity, Diolombi recently served a two-year term as a member of the firm's diversity committee and the retention, advancement and promotion subcommittee.

She has been a speaker at the University of Miami School of Law's James Weldon Johnson summer program and has volunteered as a mentor through Coral Gables attorney John Kozyak's minority mentoring program. She speaks frequently on topics relating to women lawyers and participated in the eighth annual conference of the Leadership Institute for Women of Color Attorneys.

In the community, Diolombi has volunteered for the special assistant public defender pro bono project, Ensuring Equal Justice, and has served as a guardian ad litem representing clients through the Put Something Back joint pro bono project of the Miami-Dade Circuit and the Dade County Bar Association.

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