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Lisa M. Gomez was sworn in as assistant secretary for employee benefits security on October 11, 2022. Previously, Gomez was a partner with the law firm Cohen, Weiss and Simon LLP and the chair of the firm's management committee. She has deep technical and practical experience in the multifaceted field of employee benefits law and has spent almost three decades representing various Taft-Hartley and multiemployer pension and welfare plans, single employer plans, jointly administered training program trust funds, a federal employees health benefit (FEHB) plan, supplemental health plans and VEBA's covering employees in a wide array of industries. Gomez 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, including as the union co-chair of its employee benefits committee. She is a graduate of the ABA Section of Labor and Employment Law's leadership development program and served as the union co-chair for that program. She was a member of the International Foundation of Employee Benefit Plans and the AFL-CIO Union Lawyers Alliance. Gomez was inducted as a Fellow of The American College of Employee Benefits Counsel, Inc. in recognition of her over twenty years of practice in employee benefits law and her contributions to the field. Gomez was also a member of the advisory board of The Peggy Browning Fund. She previously served as an arbitrator for the American Arbitration Association as well as a volunteer mediator for the New Jersey state courts. She was also a guest lecturer for the Cornell University School of Industrial and Labor Relations on employee benefits. Gomez was named as a Super Lawyer for Employee Benefits on the Super Lawyers New York Metro Annual Lists for 2021 and 2022. Gomez earned her law degree from the Fordham University School of Law and her undergraduate degree from Hofstra University.