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#### Foreword:

The Latino American Who's Who has been very successful in offering a positive perspective about the Latino executive and professional community and their contributions to society.

To date, they have successfully recognized thousands of leading Latino professionals and their achievements. The Latino American Who's Who – Top 100 is comprised of an elite group of individuals that have inspired and motivated the publishers of The Latino American Who's Who to continue to pursue and give recognition to those that have achieved a level of success that should be recognized nationally.

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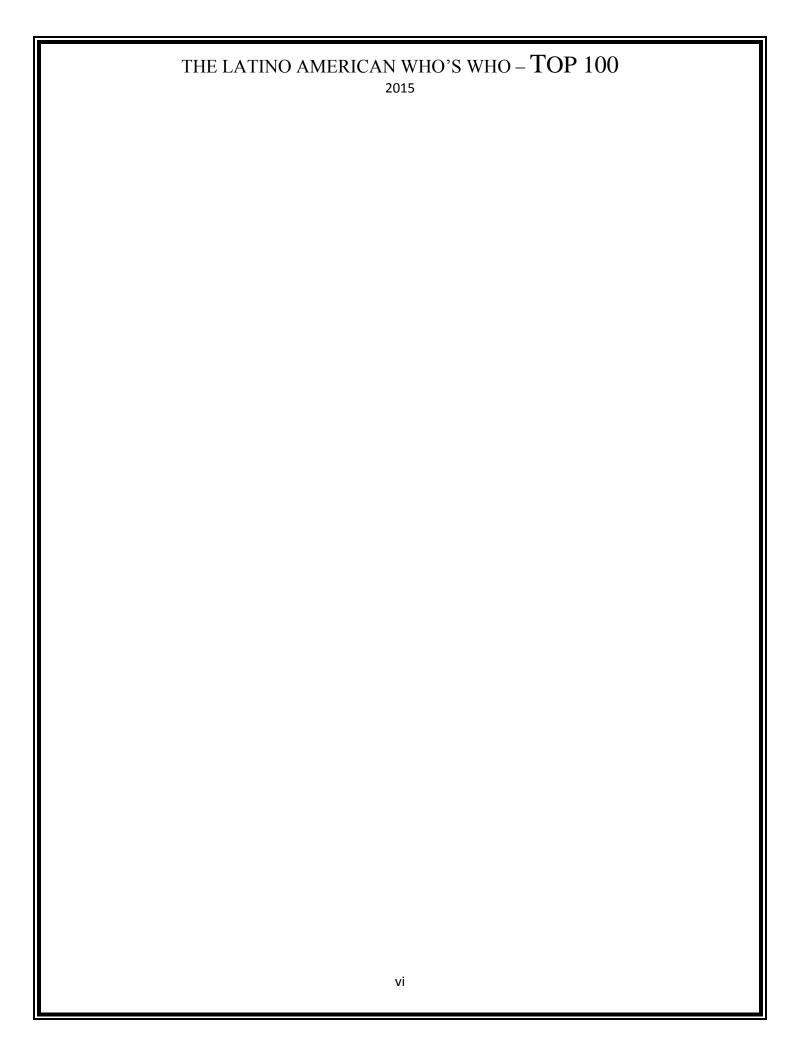
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**International Boundary** 



and Water Commission (IBWC) has responsibility for applying the boundary and water treaties between the United States and Mexico and settling differences that may arise in their application. The IBWC is an international body composed of the United States Section and the Mexican Section, each headed by an Engineer-Commissioner appointed by his/her respective president. Each Section is administered independently of the other. The United States Section of the International Boundary and Water Commission (USIBWC) is a federal government agency and is headquartered in El Paso, Texas. The IBWC operates under the foreign policy guidance of the Department of State. The Mexican Section is under the administrative supervision of the Mexican Ministry of Foreign Affairs and is headquartered in Ciudad Juarez, Chihuahua, Mexico. Luisa M. Alvarez Camacho is a Chief Counsel for International Boundary & Water Commission. She is fairly new at this position but has been in her profession for 30 years having skipped a generation to become an attorney. Her secret to success has been in having a sense of humor which has been a contributing factor in her success.

Associations: Member of the DC Bar Association; Puerto Rican Bar Association; supports the Alzheimer's Fund; Hobbies:

painting, drawing, creating beautiful hubcap art, poetry and singing

Honors: Career Achievement Award and the Franlin Award from the Department of State; recognition from the Department of the Navy and the U.S. Information Agency

**Education:** Bachelor's degree in Political Science from the University of Puerto Rico; Masters degree in Comparative Law from George Washington University; Law degree from the University of Puerto Rico

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MIT's Technology Review magazine 2003 TR100 contributions to emerging technologies.

Nominated for the ASME's 2003 New Faces in Engineering award. Student leader in the Honorary Mechanical Engineering Society Pi Tau Sigma. Reserve Officer Training Corps R.O.T.C. achieved several military leadership and excellence awards while at Kemper Military Academy, Boonville, Missouri. *Education:* Juris Doctor (JD), University of New Hampshire School of Law; Master of Laws (LLM) in Intellectual Property Commerce and Technology, Franklin Pierce Law Center For Intellectual Property; Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering (BSME), Florida International University

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Arrieta Construction, Inc. is a small

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Associations: Hispanic Business Women's Alliance and was published on their website as the Latino Business of the Week for June 2010; Virginia Hispanic Chamber of Commerce and was recognized on their website and in a newsletter as a Proud Member Moment; Hampton Roads Hispanic Chamber; National Association of Women in Construction; National Association of Women Business Owners

Honors: 2014 & 2012 - Jacobs
Technology/Rome Group - Safety Excellence
Award in recognition of 1,000-5,000 Incident
Free hours worked on various NASA/LAFB
projects 2013- IWLA (International Women's
Leadership Association - Woman of
Outstanding Leadership plaque awarded in
recognition of contribution to
Family/Career/Community 2012- Honorary
mention as a successful client of the SBDC in
article on how the center has helped small
firms save jobs 2011- Completed 10-week
"2011 Government Contracting Business

Management Seminar Series" thru PWDC (Peninsula Workforce Development Center). NOV. 2011- HRSBDC (Hampton Roads Small Business Development Center) - As a speaker at the Women-Owned Business Conference, awarded a plaque as an award of appreciation and HRSBDC Advocate July 2011 – recognized by US Senator Mark Warner for commitment to excellence, employees & customer service Featured in a 2-page article in the July/August 2011 issue of Hispanic Executive magazine April 2011 Awarded "Impacto Latino" award by the VAHCC (Virginia Hispanic Chamber of Commerce) March 2011- recognized by the "Latino American Who's Who" for achievements in advancing the culture of the Latino-American business community Awarded 2010/2011 Woman of the Year thru NAPW (National Association of Professional Women) 2010 Nominee for Rookie of the Year thru NAWIC (National Association of Women in Construction) Participated as a sponsor in the 2010/2011 Mid-Atlantic MEGAvention (marketing/networking event) Interviewed by NAWBO (National Association of Women Business Owners) and featured in article in their prestigious "Best of the Best" column June 2010- Named "Latina Business of the Week" thru HBWA (Hispanic Business Women's Alliance) April 2010- named as a successful client of the SBDC (Small Business Development Center) in an article of "Inside Business" honoring the SBDC's 20th Anniversary Completed the 3/8/10-6/14/10 "NxLevel for Entrepreneurs" course thru the SBDC (Small Business Development Center) -Graduation was on June 29, 2010 Sept. 2010-Awarded by the US Navy SUPSHIP, Newport News a certificate of "Main Stay", a medal & jacket for participation as a speaker honoring Hispanic Heritage month; As a VIP member who has demonstrated exemplary

achievement and distinguished contributions to the business community, will be honored in the 2010-2011 Madison Who's Who Registry of Executives and Professionals. June 2010-2013 named in Hispanic Business Magazine on the Fortune 500 List of Hispanic Owned Businesses July 2008- TNCC – Thomas Nelson Community College: Government Contracting

Education: Licensed Class A Contractor (Bldg. w/Technical) Bilingual– Fluent in Spanish Notary Public–commissioned since 1993 CPR/Adult/Infant/Child & First Aid–Certification renewed accordingly US Army Corps of Engineers– CQM Certification Herbert H. Lehman College,NY for 2 yrs Took computer classes at Professional Computer Trainers,NY&Columbia University, NY; Attended New Horizons VA Apprenticeship& Adult Training Ctr for Blueprint Reading and Advanced BPR

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to large and small businesses, entrepreneurs and individuals. Adrian L. Barton has been with Sacks Tierney P.A. since 2007, and has been practicing law since 1998. Ms. Barton practices law in both Arizona and California. Her areas of expertise are complex civil litigation, intellectual property, employment law (including counseling and consultation regarding the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act), and appeals. Adrian's secret to success has been her talented and supportive family, friends and colleagues Associations: State Bar of Arizona Disaster Plan Committee; Arizona Women Lawyers Association; Hispanic National Bar Association: Scottsdale Bar Association: Hispanic Bar Association of Orange County Board of Directors, 2005-2006; Orange County Bar Association; Federal Bar Association Orange County Board of Directors, 1999-2007; Wesley Community

Honors: Top Lawyers List (Employment/Labor) AZ Business Magazine, 2013; Three time recipient of the Federal Bar Association Ilene and Michael Shaw Younger Lawyer Public Service Award in recognition of having designed and implemented the association's Bill of Rights program for middle school students.

Center Board of Directors, 2010-present.

Education: BS, Marketing, Arizona State,

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largest in the nation. Mrs. Batista-McNamara is a Board Certified attorney in Education law who serves as the Deputy General Counsel for the School Board. She oversees the legal affairs of the District as it relates to litigation of civil rights, personnel matters, diversity and appeals in special education cases. Her current practice focuses on litigation and counseling on a wide array of education and corporate matters affecting the District's governance, compliance and employment areas. Mrs. Batista-McNamara has authored several articles to employment and education law and is a frequent speaker on legal topics associated with employment and education matters. For the past eight years, she has also recruited, and mentored law students through a clerkship program at the Office of the General Counsel.

Associations: Appointed to the American Bar Association Standing Committee on Specialization. Past Chair of the Labor and Employment Law Section of the Broward Bar and the Education Law Committee, where she served as Editor-in-Chief for the first online journal of the Florida Board; Past Chair of the Education Law Certification Committee Honors: AV Rated from Martindale-Hubbell, for ten years; Top Government Lawyer in Florida Trend's Legal Elite, for four years

**Education:** J.D., Nova Southeastern University; B.Sc., Florida International

University.

Family: Married with one son

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bond between pets and the people who love them-making every day special. They honor people who love pets and believe that pets should have access to quality food meals, snacks and treats. Mr. Bejarano Wallens is a Senior Project Manager III with the company. He has accumulated more than 30 years of food experience as a Technical Manager for the leading Food companies World Wide in the USA and International fields. In the past he worked for Kellogg's USA in Advance Technology Innovation, with Frito-Lay in Mexico as an Innovation Director, with Kraft Foods as manager and Technology Principal, and with Nestle in Quality Assurance. His secret to success has been in recognizing that his dreams, goals and accomplishments are the result of his efforts, focus, sacrifice and work. Mr. Bejarano Wallens is a results driven top-performing product and process development technical manager with a proven track record in the Food Industry in sustainability, innovation, business growth and productivity. He has been granted 6 patents in process, product development and die designs, filed three more patents in design and process development with Kellogg, in 2011 and 2012.

**Associations:** Institute of Food Technology, past Board member and Chairman of the Board of St. Augustine College, Member of

United Nations Development Programs, and past Member of National Society of Hispanic MBA's. His hobbies include soccer, consulting, chess and traveling *Honors:* He has been granted 6 patents in process, product development and die designs, filed three more patents in design and process development with Kellogg, in 2011 and 2012. He received the Leadership, Innovation and Excellence Awards from Kraft Food, R&D Excellence and Main Meal Director's Award, in 2000, HENAAC Engineering Diversity Award, in 1999, Kraft Foods Hispanic Leadership Award, in 1999, and the YMCA Chicago Diversity Award **Education:** B.S. Food Engineering, INCCA University, Colombia; M.S., Chemical Engineering, City College of New York; MBA, Lake Forest School of Management Family: Married to Maria with one son, Giovanni

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Miami that prepares and tries cases of all types- and we have for years. Over 160 years between them. They have represented clients from all over Florida, from throughout the country and from places as far away as Australia, France, England, Peru, Montserrat, the Virgin Islands, Indonesia and the Bahamas, just to name a few. They have helped clients in lawsuits arising from car accidents; defective products including automobiles, boats, drugs, medical devices, tires, trucks and others; medical and legal malpractice; breach of contract; fraud; insurance disputes; securities law violations; libel and slander; slip and fall; airplane crashes; Will contests; class actions and more. They have resolved cases in just a few months without filing a lawsuit and we have battled for over seven years in other cases taking hundreds of depositions, spending thousands of hours of their time and navigating through every conceivable legal obstacle in multiple courts and multiple states incurring hundreds of thousands of dollars in expenses in the process. Over the years they have seen just about everything. Mr. Bello is new to the firm, he has however, been an attorney for five years. His personal expertise is Personal Injury and prior to joining the firm he was with the Miami Dade State Attorney's Office, as an Assistant. His secret to success has

been in having good insight to take advantage of opportunities as they are presented.

Associations: Board member of Cuban/American Bar Association (CABA); Board of Latin Builders Association (LBA); Dade County Bar Association; Kiwanis Club of Little Havana; Coral Gables Bar Association; League of Prosecutors

Honors: CABA Outstanding Member, 2011;

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Associations: American Dental Association Cambridge Who's Who; Hobbies include Golf Honors: America's Top Dentist 2012; United Concordia Insurance for Good Services; Top 100 Dentists 2008, 2009 from Consumer Research Council of America; Certificate of Appreciation from Boy's Republic Organization

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formed on January 1, 1903, by two Stockton lawyers, Arthur H. Ashley and Charles L. Neumiller. Since the firm's formation in 1903. the firm has had a variety of names, beginning with Ashley & Neumiller until 1915; Neumiller & Ditz until 1941; and Neumiller, Ditz and Beardslee until 1954. The firm grew and gained additional partners and names were added until the firm name became Neumiller, Beardslee, Diehl, Siegert, Glahn, Shephard and Greene, in 1956. In 1975, the firm name was shortened to Neumiller & Beardslee for the convenience of both the members of the firm and the firm's clients. In 1981, the firm incorporated under the name Neumiller & Beardslee, a professional corporation. Lisa Blanco Jimenez has been with the firm for ten years, specializing in Civil Litigation and Labor/Employment cases. She is admitted to practice in the State of California and the U.S. District Courts for the Eastern, Northern, Southern and Central Districts of California. Her secret to success has been her very strong and supportive family.

Associations: San Joaquin County Bar Association, member of Executive Committee for Civil Litigation Section and former member of Board of Governors; Judge Consuelo M. Callahan Inn of Court, member and current President; United Cerebral Palsy of San Joaquin, member of Board of Directors; St. Joseph's Medical Center, member of Community Board; San Joaquin County Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, member and former Treasurer.

Honors: AV Rated Attorney with Martindale-Hubbell; Super Lawyer Rising Star *Education:* B.A., Political Science and Sociology, Stanford University, 2000; J.D., with Pro Bono Distinction, Stanford University, 2004

*Family:* Married to Tony Jimenez with children: Anthony, Nicholas and Gabriel

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Unida Latinoamericana, Inc., is a bible based pentecostal church that has 88 congregations in the United States. Pastor Adrian Burgos has been in the ministry for 47 years. He has been a pastor in the congregations of Fort Lauderdale, FL, Brewster, NY, Chelsea, MA and currently in Twin City, GA. Pastor Burgos had a life changing event in 1983 when the vehicle that he was driving was struck on the right side by another car causing him to loose control and his vehicle struck an overpass pillar, because of that he was in a coma for 5 days, followed by being in a wheelchair for a year. He thanks God that gave him another opportunity in life. Pastor Burgos now dedicates his life to helping others and teaching the word of God, The Bible. He has visited many countries, including Columbia. Pastor Burgos owes everything to God and wants to thank his wife, Aida, for her support and is extremely proud of his daughter, Deborah for starting the Burgos Bilingual Services 11 years ago in Twin City, GA. He is proud of his present congregation of over 45 members who are mostly Mexican and other Central American countries. Most of them are farm workers who are in need of the church's services. As part of the services offer by Burgos Bilingual Services, they provide income tax services, W-7 ITIN applications, and immigration cases, Notary Public services, translations and accounting

services.

Associations: Member of The National Association of Tax Preparer

**Education:** Instituto Apostolico, Texas, 1998, Associate Degree in Biblical Theology; a Honorary Doctorate Degree in Biblical Theology, from the Instituto Nacional Iglesia Pentecostal, IRS Certification, Tax Preparer

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construction projects and have extensive experience in the construction of highway bridges and other public works. Anasteel & Supply Company joins more than 1 million companies worldwide that have achieved ISO90012008 certification of their quality management system (QMS). Anna R. Cablik has been President and Owner for over 18 years and prior was with Anatech in 1982. Her secret to success has been her belief that you can overcome any obstacles that may be in your way leaving you room to succeed. Associations: Georgia Chamber of Commerce; Hispanic Chamber of Commerce; Clayton Chamber of Commerce; Anna serves on the Finance Committee for United Way; Board of Directors for Branch Banking Trust (BBT); Georgia Power Board; Anasteel & Supply Company-Top Minority Owned Firms, Atlanta Business Chronicle, July 2009; Number 119 on the Top 500 Hispanic Businesses, Hispanic Business Magazine, June 2009; Atlanta's Top 10 Fastest-Growing Women-Owned Firms, Atlanta Business Chronicle, May 2009 Honors: 100 most influential & successful Latino Entrepreneurs, Poder Enterprise,

October 2009; Woman of Achievement, Atlanta YMCA, May 2009; Finalist,

2008

Entrepreneur of the Year, Ernst & Young, June

They specialize in commercial and heavy

**Education:** Bachelor Degree from Canal Zone College in Medical Technology Family: Married to: Jerry C. Cablik, Children: Jerry Alan, Kevin Andrew, and Ryan Christopher, Grandson: Jackson Alan

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**Honors:** Graduated Summa Cum Laude from Hardin-Simmons University; Recipient of Thesis Award offered by Brookhaven National Laboratory 2013

**Education:** Bachelor of Science, Biology from Hardin-Simmons University, Texas, 2005; Doctor of Philosophy in Cancer Biology, University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center, Dallas, 2012

**Family:** Daughter of Salvador and Nidia Camacho, married to Evan Villarreal

## Camacho, Jeannine

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together to provide a wide range of eye care services, treatments and surgery. Their services range from routine eye exams to detect and correct nearsightedness, farsightedness, and astigmatism, to comprehensive medical exams for the detection and treatment of medical eye disease and conditions such as cataracts, glaucoma, macular degeneration, diabetic retinopathy and dry eye syndrome. They also provide refractive surgery consultations as well as contact lens and optical services. Dr. Camacho has been with the practice since 2010 and her secret to success has been in having a very supportive family and friends. Associations: AOA (American Optometric Association); TOA (Texas Optometric

Association); TOA (Texas Optometric Association); Bexar County District Optometric Society; Hardin-Simmons University Alumni Board of Directors **Honors:** Clinical Letters of Excellence from

the University of Houston College of

Optometry

Education: Undergraduate degree, Hardin Simmons, Abilene, TX; Optometry Degree, University of Houston College of Optometry Family: Daughter of Salvador and Nidia

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Associations: American College of Physicians; American Academy of HIV Medicine; Student Affairs Committee; Past Board Member for 8 years for Institutional Review

**Honors:** 1998 Humanitarian Award from the University of California, San Diego; San Diego County HIV Community Service Award; 2011

Humanitarian Award from Kenyon College *Education:* Bachelor Degree from Kenyon College; Master Degree in Public Health from the University of California, Berkeley; M.D. from Case Western Reserve; Residency in Internal Medicine and Fellowship in Hematology and Oncology at the University of California, San Diego School of Medicine

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years and in the industry for over 34 years. She has numerous Top Listings representing sellers. Her areas of specialization are representing buyers throughout the city and working with buyers relocating to Texas. She sells throughout all of San Antonio and surrounding areas. Her high volume of sales is centered in Northwest San Antonio.

Associations: Member, RE/MAX of Texas Platinum Club; Member of the Elite RE/MAX 100% Club; Serving and volunteering in various organizations such as the American Cancer Society, the March of Dimes, Children's Miracle Network, Women's Council of Realtors, Pembroke Estates Homeowners Association and St. Luke's Catholic Church; Participants in the "Light The Night Walk" for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, 2010 and 2011; Hobbies: reading, traveling, shopping, and working out

Honors: RE/MAX of Texas and RE/MAX International Hall of Fame Award. She has also received the Lifetime Achievement Award through RE/MAX as well. She was recognized by the Who's Who in Residential Real Estate and one of San Antonio's Top 50 Realtors. She was awarded CRS designation by The National Association of Realtors which is a distinction achieved by less than 2% all realtors nationwide. She was also recognized as being in the top 1% Real Estate

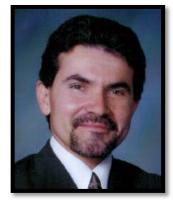
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Family: Married with 2 sons

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He is also the medical director of Premier Medical Center. He has been featured in textbooks and specialty journals and has been speaker in national and international meetings. He is fluent in English, Spanish, French, and Portuguese. He is one of the few Ophthalmologists in the world certified in all the three countries in North America. Dr. Castillejos is certified by the American Board of Ophthalmology, the Royal College of Physicians, and Surgeons of Canada and Consejo Mexicano de Oftalmologia. His secret to success has been his passion to serve his patients.

He holds several patents and has been involved extensively in research to advance the care of Ophthalmological patients, particularly in the field of Vitreous Hemorrhage, Diabetic Retinopathy, Intra-Ocular Lenses having been a world pioneer in the simultaneous correction for near and distance vision with phakic intra-ocular lenses.

Associations: Fellow of the American College of Surgeons, Royal College of Physicians of Surgeons of Canada; member of American Academy of Ophthalmology, American Society of Cataract and Refractive Surgery, San Diego County Ophthalmological Society, California Medical Association, American Medical

Association, The Vitreous Society, Sociedad Mexicana de Oftalmologia, Colegio de Oftalmologia de Baja California where he has served as President.

Honors: Awarded a letter of congratulations granted for the positive impact of the social and medical work accomplished for social services completed in Los Reyes, Michoacan (1981); Awarded several times the Robins Prize granted to the most outstanding student in the National School of Medicine; awarded the Most Outstanding Students of Mexico Certificate presented by the President of Mexico; Awarded a letter from the Dean of the National University of Mexico during the four years of university studies; awarded the Gabino Barrera Medal, the highest honor to the University Merit.

Education: Graduated Magna Cum Laude from Medical School at the University of Mexico, Mexico City; completed his Straight Medical YR1 at the University of Toronto, Canada (1987); completed his ophthalmology residency at the University of Montreal, Canada where he was awarded Second Prize for research work (1990); completed his Retina Fellowship at the University of Toronto, Toronto, Canada (1991): completed his Fellowship in Refractive Surgery at the Instituto Mexicano de Cirugia Ambulatoria, Tijuana, Mexico (1997)

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### Castillo, Tara Eliza

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Castillo is a Senior
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group with Alston &
Bird LLP. Her



concentration is on debt securities. structured finance, securitizations and other asset-backed finance transactions. Ms. Castillo has experience working with a wide variety of asset classes including, autos, equipment, insurance premium finance loans, leases, residential mortgages and trade receivables. She has also represented financial institutions and finance companies serving as lessors and lessees in equipment leasing transactions. Tara advises clients on securities and regulatory compliance issues relating to the securitization aspects of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act, Volker Rule and Regulation AB, including the SEC's sweeping proposed amendments relating thereto. Ms. Castillo regularly participates as a speaker on industry panels, and was a speaker at the American Securitization Forum's 2014 annual conference in Las Vegas. Ms. Castillo also recently guest lectured at Diego Portales law school in Santiago, Chile.

Associations: DC Bar Foundation's Young Lawyers Network Leadership Council, Structured Finance Industry Group, Hispanic Bar Association of the District of Columbia, Latina/o Alumni Association of the Washington College of Law and a former member of the board. She has also funded a scholarship bearing her name for students graduating from her high school alma mater

and interested in pursuing a career in law or political science.

*Honors:* Washington DC "Rising Star", 2014

by Super Lawyers

**Education:** J.D., American University's Washington School of Law; M.A., Latin American Caribbean Studies, New York

University

Family: Spouse, Jason Schreuder

2015

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Living a comfortable,
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luxury; it is something that everyone deserves. If you're living with TMJ, TMD, migraines, or headache pain, you may not be living your life to the fullest. At our practice, Dr. Carolina Cespedes, Dr. David McFadden, and their team provide headache relief without depending on drug therapy. Through the TruDenta® pain relief system, you can be in control of your healing process and live the life you've always wanted — one free of pain. Dr. Cespedes earned her D.D.S. degree in 2006 from the University of Costa Rica, San Jose, Costa Rica. For three years, she worked in private practice as a general dentist, and also as faculty professor in the Fixed and Removable Prosthodontics Department at the University of Costa Rica. In 2012, Dr. Cespedes completed a 3 year postgraduate specialty program in Advanced Prosthodontics and her Master's in Oral Biology at Baylor College of Dentistry, Dallas, TX. Her research focused on new technologies (CAD-CAM) to fabricate aesthetic all-ceramic crowns. Dr. Cespedes currently teaches in the Department of Restorative Sciences at Baylor College of Dentistry. She supervises dental students in the Removable Prosthodontics Clinic. Dr. Cespedes joined the McFadden Dental Implant Center in 2013. She performs a wide variety of dental treatments for adults with complex dental needs. Her services

include standard dental procedures such as fillings, bleaching, and crowns, as well as specialty procedures such as bridges, veneers, partials, complete dentures, dental implants, and full mouth reconstructions. *Associations:* American College of Prosthodontists; American Dental Association; Texas Dental Association; Dallas County Dental Society; Greater Dallas Hispanic Chamber of Commerce; Costa Rican Dental College

Honors: Clinical Instructor at Baylor College Education: D.D.S., six year program at the University of Costa Rica; Master's Degree in Oral Biology and specialty in Advanced Prosthodontics from Baylor College of Dentistry, Dallas, TX

Family: Married to Guillermo Pachame

2015

#### Cevallos, Marcia S.

Ph.D.

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dedicated to helping
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purpose and your passions in higher education. Pillar is an undergraduate institution of higher learning that is faithful to classical Christianity, grounded on the authority of God's Word, and committed to challenging Christians to serve Christ with passion and purpose. As He came into the world to serve God and humanity, you also are invited to learn how to invest your life to make an impact that will last. Pillar College educates, inspires, and equips students for excellent scholarship, service, and leadership. Rooted in and committed to Christian faith and love, Pillar fosters intellectual, spiritual, and social development among its diverse student population at various instructional sites (see web). They have developed an introductory program that will blend English and Spanish in an Introductory Associate Degree. Dr. Cevallos is the Dean of Programa BLEND and has been in education for 30 vears. Her secret to success has been in always putting God first and relying on him in all her endeavors.

Associations: Board of Trustee Member for the Southern Theological Seminary in Jacksonville; on the Retention Committee Honors: Licensed Ministry Award from Church of God Denomination; Awarded one of the "Top Teachers" in the Logos Bible School Education: Bachelor's degree from the Catholic University in Ecuador; Masters degree from American Bible College and Seminary; PhD from Southeastern Theological Seminary in Jacksonville Family: Married to: Rev. Francisco Cevallos, Children: Estevan, Joshua, Esther, Anna, and Israel

2015

### Chavez, Arnold

#### Ph.D.

Community Health Services Coordinator Alameda County Public Health Department 500 David St., Ste. 120 San Leandro, CA 94577 www.acgov.org

#### Business Specialty: Arnold Chavez, Ed.D. is



a Community Health Coordinator for the Alameda County Public Health Department where he is part of an effort addressing the myriad of health issues affecting the diverse communities of Alameda County. In the last decade Dr. Chavez, has mainly focused on working with Men and Boys, the challenges in educational/vocational training they face in an urban setting and its effects on their health. As part of his work, Dr. Chavez has taught parenting classes in Spanish to Latino inmates at San Quentin Prison thru the Alameda County Urban Male Health program which partnered with the TRUST Fellows, a program inside San Quentin Prison, and they successfully conducted the largest Health Fairs inside prison walls in the state of California. He is a facilitator and is certified as a Master Coach for Boot Camp for Dads, Certified as a Health Educator and teaches Sex Education in Middle Schools in Oakland. CA and is also a facilitator for Parents Matter Training. Dr. Chavez regularly speaks to parents about developing better parenting and communication skills for a stronger family unit and raising more confident/successful children. He strongly believes that the family is the foundation of a stable society. Dr. Chavez began his career as the Director of the Colorado Migrant Council in Alamosa, Colorado and over the years has

also worked as an elementary school teacher at a Reservation for Native Americans in Dulce, New Mexico, was a Ford Fellow, Executive Director of College Assistance Migrant Program, Professor of Urban Studies and Education at Metropolitan State College in Denver, Colorado, Director of Alameda Technical College, and Executive Director of Alameda County Court Appointed Special Advocate program. Dr. Chavez has focused his efforts on education and community development to facilitate access of the available resources to those in need. **Associations:** He is very proud of being one of the Founders of the Hispanic Community Affairs Council an organization that gives educational Scholarships to Latinos in Alameda County for over 30 years. He has been active and served on the Boards of several community organizations *Honors:* Awarded numerous recognitions for his efforts including an award for his Outstanding Contribution from the T.R.U.S.T. for his work at San Quentin Prison. Education: Dr. Chavez earned his Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts from Adams State College in Alamosa, Colorado, Master of Education (M.Ed.) from Antioch University, Yellow Springs, Ohio and Education Doctorate (Ed.D.) from the University of Northern Colorado in Greeley, Colorado.

**Family:** Married to Carmen Chavez with two sons: Anon and Gabriel

2015

#### Cintron, Mark

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Mark Cintron started
his legal practice three
years ago, and has
been an attorney for



close to ten years. His firm predominantly handles criminal and traffic matters, expungements, personal injury cases, business disputes, landlord-tenant litigation and collections. Mark began his career while in law school with Henry F. Furst, Esq. a distinguished attorney and former Chair of the Criminal Law Section of the New Jersey State Bar Association. After eight years with Henry, Mark followed his dream of starting his own firm. He also serves as a Municipal Court Prosecutor for the City of New Brunswick, and his secret to success has been a supportive family.

**Associations:** Mark is admitted to practice before all New Jersey Courts, the United States District Court for the District of New Jersey and the United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit. He is a member of the New Jersey Association for Justice (NJAJ), New Jersey State Bar Association, Bergen County Bar Association, and Middlesex County Bar Association and is the co-chair of the Diversity Committee for NJAJ. Due to his experience, Mark has been sought out for various speaking engagements. Mark has been appointed as co-chair of statewide legal seminars, including The Life of a DWI Case: What You Need to Know If You Are Handling DWI Cases In 2012 and Hot Topics In Criminal Law And DWI Practice: The Issues

You Will Encounter in 2014. He was also a guest speaker at The Middlesex County Bar Association's program entitled, The Basics of Municipal Court Practice.

**Education:** B.A., Government and Psychology, Georgetown University, Washington, District of Columbia; Seton Hall University School of Law, Newark, New Jersey

Family: Married with four children

#### Cortez, Lourdes

#### **CEO**

North Jersey Federal Credit Union 711 Union Blvd. Totowa, NJ 07512 www.njfcu.org **Business Specialty:** Lourdes Cortez has been the President and Chief Executive Officer



of the Totowa based credit union since 2005. The credit unions are member owned cooperatives, in fact, that is why your savings are technically called "shares". Unlike a forprofit bank, in which profits go back to a select group of stockholders, not-for-profits are organized to return all profits to member owners in the form of lower loan rates, higher savings rates and lower fees. Lourdes started her North Jersey Federal Credit Union career in 1984 as a Teller, progressing to a Financial Service Representative, Mortgage Officer, Loan Department Supervisor and Loan Collections Manager. She was then promoted to Vice President of Operations and in 2004 became Senior Vice President and in 2005 President and CEO.

Associations: Assists national and local charities such as CASA, March of Dimes, American Cancer Society, and the Boys and Girls Clubs of America

Honors: "Woman of Vision" awards from the City of Paterson and William Patterson University; Served as the Grand Marshal of the City's Puerto Rican Day Parade
Family: Mother of three children: two sons

and one daughter

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#### D'Andrea, Mark A.

M.D.

Gulf Coast Oncology
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Associates is a practice
specializing in radiation



oncology. Dr. D'Andrea has been the Medical Director of the Gulf Coast Cancer and Diagnostic Center since 2001. He is Board Certified in Radiation Oncology. His secret to success is his great interest in people.

Associations: Texas Medical Board Expert
Panel Member, 2011-Present; Independent
Reviewer for Parker Healthcare Management
Organization, 2013; Honorary Committee
Member of Virtuosi of Houston, 2011;
President-Harris County Medical Society
(Southeast Branch) 2000-2001; Vice
President Harris County Medical Center
(Southeast Branch), 1999-2000; Alternate
Delegate Harris County Medical Society to
TMA, 1999-2000; Chief-Department of
Medicine, Columbia Bayshore, Hospital, 2000-2001

Honors: Houston Top Doctors-H Magazine, 2004-2013; American Board of Oncology-Distinguished Fellow, 2010; Marquis Who's Who in America, 2000-2007; Marquis Who's Who in Medicine and Healthcare 1997-2000 Education: M.D., Ponce School of Medicine, Honors; Bachelor of Arts, Chemistry, Biology and Religion, Luther College; Residency, Cabrini Medical Center, C.M.C. Housestaff Association, National Association of Residents and Interns; Fellowship, University of Texas Medical Branch Galveston, Department of Radiation Therapy; Mini Fellowship in

Stereotactic Radiosurgery Interoperative Radiation and Brachytherapy; Saint Vince De Paul High School, Honors

## De Leon, Jr., John J.

M.D.

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Leon has been in private
practice for thirty-three
years, and his specialty is
urology. He is a second
generation physician and



his secret to success has been his time spent with each and every patient, education, his compassion and his passion for the medical field.

Associations: Diplomate American Board of Urology; American Urological Association; Texas Urological Society, Past President and served on the Executive Committee;, St. Francis Catholic Church

**Honors:** Best Doctors in America 2001present; Past Clinical Instructor of Neurology on the faculty of the University of Texas Health Science Center

Education: Undergraduate Degree, St. Mary's University; Medical Degree, Universidad Autonoma Del Monterey; Internship, Memorial Medical Center, Corpus Christ; Residency, General Surgery and Urology, Scott White Memorial Hospital Family: Married to Andrea, who is an R.N.,

**Family:** Married to Andrea, who is an R.N., with children John Joseph III, Christopher Patrick and Lauren Michelle

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Associations: Institute of Certified Public Accountants, Tax Section, American Bar Association, Tax and Litigation Section

Honors: Dean's List

Education: BA, Incarnate Word College, now University of the Incarnate Word; J.D., Texas Wesleyan University School of Law, now Texas A&M University School of Law; Certified Public Accountant (CPA)

Family: Married to Sylvia with children,

Danielle and Frank

#### Diaz, Nadine S.

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clients in the areas of personal injury, criminal law, professional malpractice, and products liability. The attorneys of Darrigo and Diaz bring all their years of training, their vast backgrounds, and their wealth of knowledge to each and every case brought before them. They combine this with a special sense of compassion and care for each of their clients to bring them unique representation. Nadine founded the firm in 1999 and was a practicing attorney at the young age of 23. Her secret to success has been her ability to genuinely feel and communicate feelings with jurors.

Associations: Board of Justice Association; Tampa Bay Trial Lawyers Association; American Trucking Association; Florida Bar; Multimillion Dollar Advocacy Group Honors: Tampa Bay Top Lawyers 2010 Award; 2011 Bar Register of Preeminent

Women Lawyers Award

**Education:** Undergrad at the University of South Florida; completed 2 years of Law

School at Stetson

Family: Married to: Shane Wakefield,

Children: Stefan Jorge Wakefield and Araceli

Eva Wakefield

#### Diego, Kimberly

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Diego is a boutique
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Denver, Colorado,



handling criminal cases at the municipal, county, and district court levels. This firm handles a range of criminal matters, with particular focus on domestic violence cases. Her practice places a strong emphasis on a high level of personalized customer service and vigorous representation.

Associations: National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers, Colorado Criminal Defense Bar Association, Colorado Hispanic Bar Association, Hispanic National Bar Association, American Bar Association, Colorado Bar Association, Better Business Bureau

**Honors:** Super Lawyers' "Rising Star", 2012; National Association of Trial Lawyers, "Top 100 Trial Lawyers"; Denver Domestic Violence Attorney Denver Award for 2012 and 2013

*Education:* J.D., University of Colorado School of Law, Dean's List; B.A., English Literature and Literacy History, Georgetown University, First Honors

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#### DiNicola Thombs, Lady Theresa

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Business Specialty: The
RockAway Company,
Inc. is a local company
started in 1993 by Lady



Theresa DiNicola Thombs who is the President and CEO. She and her husband have established themselves as leaders in the Tarrant County area as upscale remodelers. They believe in quality work, done on a fast pace, with strong communication between themselves and the customer.

Associations: Currently serving on the Board of Directors of the Texas Association of Business working closely with them in making sure the concerns of Small Business and the effects of what is being proposed in Austin are heard; NBA; NAR; TX Builders Association; National of Association of Women in Construction (NAWC); North East Tarrant County Chamber; NFIB; Hobbies: vocalist and does evangelism work all over the world

Honors: Inc. Magazine's top 5,000 fastest growing small businesses in the country every year since 2007; top 30 "Largest General Contractors" in Tarrant County, Fort Worth Business Press, 2007; one of the very few women to receive knighthood status Education: Paralegal Degree; Real Estate

License

Family: Married

#### Escudero, Tomas

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reprogenetics.com *Business Specialty:*Repro Genetics, LLC
offers Products of
Conception to help
couples get a better

Technical Supervisor Repro Genetics, LLC



picture of how they might respond to IVF
Fertility treatments. Based on a number of
genetic and cytogenetic factors,
Reprogenetics is able to uniquely predict IVF
outcome based on the historical data of
thousands of other couples who have been
helped by our laboratory. Mr. Escudero has
over twenty years in research and
development internationally.

Associations: American Society of Reproductive Medicine; College of Biology; Fertility Research Association of America; American Medical Association

Honors: Written numerous medical white papers in reproductive research technology Education: Bachelor of Science Degree in Genetics and Biology from the University of Barcelona, Spain, 1995; Fertility Conference Seminars

2015

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Marisa Ferreira is a
professional glazier who
has been working in the
construction industry for
over 15 years. Her



company specializes in Decorative and Architectural Glass, including but not limited to, glass shower enclosures, counter tops, glass railings and staircases, painted glass, table tops, and glass vanity tops. With a lot of persistence and a passion for her job, Marisa has successfully expanded her company, which exports internationally to Bermuda, Bahamas and the Caribbean. Marisa's areas of expertise include client/customer relations, management, sales and consultation. Her desire to learn even more about the industry motivated her to complete the Interior Design Certificate Program at the University of Miami in February of 2014. Moreover, Marisa, her husband and a group of car enthusiast friends got together and created Concours South Florida. A non profit organization that aims at promoting the enjoyment of cars in the South Florida community.

Associations: National Association of Professional Women, Past Board Member and a current Volunteer for the American Cancer Society, Relay for Life, and Marisa and her team, Agua da Vida, do a lot of fundraising events for this society; St. Catherine of Sienna Catholic Church with the Mission Catholic Our Lady Aparecida from Brazil (Missao Catolica Nossa Senhora Aparecida)

*Honors:* Marisa has had her work seen in the "Florida Design Magazine", through articles

featuring architects and designer clients she has worked with along the years

**Education:** Received her CPA in Brazil; Interior Design Certificate Program University of Miami, 2014

Family: Married to Sergio Siqueira

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#### Fuson, Robin

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matters of criminal defense. It is imperative that you promptly seek competent legal representation to ensure your best interests are served at every stage of the criminal case, from the pre-file investigation, emergency bond reduction hearing, arraignment, disposition hearings, pre-trial conferences, evidentiary motion hearings, through a jury trial. The attorneys at the Law of Office of Robin Fuson understand the collateral consequences of a criminal arrest and prosecution can be devastating, especially for someone with no other criminal record. Only by aggressively fighting the charges against you can you avoid many of these consequences. Our attorneys work tirelessly to get the best results for our clients, many times resulting in dropped charges, dismissed charges, or reduced charges. The Law Office Of Robin Fuson utilizes a highly specialized network of private investigators and the most qualified expert witnesses, while still offering competitive fees with payment plans available when needed. Lawyers at Robin Fuson handle all types of complex cases including but not limited to narcotics, DUI, misdemeanor, felony and juvenile. After 13 years in professional baseball, with Oakland, Cleveland, Boston and Seattle, Mr. Fuson began his legal career in 1993. He is licensed to practice law in all Florida State and County Courts as well as Federal matters in the

United States District Court for the Middle District of Florida. In 2001, Mr. Fuson took his legal experience to the private sector and represents clients in all areas of criminal defense. His "hands on approach" allows clients access to his personal cell phone so that the client never has to worry about not reaching their attorney personally. His secret to success has been his accessibly to his clients.

Associations: Florida Bar Association; Former professional baseball player for Cleveland, Boston, Seattle, and Oakland for 13 years

**Honors:** Commendation Award from the Sheriff of Hillsborough County; recognized for seminars on search and seizure law enforcement agencies

**Education:** Bachelor Degree in Criminology from the University of South Florida; JD from the Stetson University; Past Adjunct Professor at the University of South Florida

Family: Married with two daughters

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# Garcia, Adolfo R.

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Adolfo Garcia focuses
his practice in the
corporate and
international areas. He



has extensive experience handling various corporate and business transactions including financings, private equity, securities, mergers and acquisitions, joint ventures, investments, restructurings and contractual arrangements in the US, as well as most other parts of the world. Prior to joining Brown Rudnick, Dolf was a partner in the Boston office of K&L Gates. Before that, Dolf was a partner in the Corporate Department of Ropes & Gray and served as Co-Head of the firm's International Practice Group. In this role, among other duties, Adolfo maintained, managed, supervised, reviewed and expanded the firm's non-US counsel network. He also supervised a team at Ropes & Gray that advised financial institutions on the securities laws of over one hundred foreign countries (so called "WorldSky" matters) with emphasis on private placements, investments and significant shareholder issues, and required filings. From 1982-2003, Dolf was a partner at McDermott Will & Emery and served as a member of the firm's Management and Compensation Committees. At various times, he also headed the firm's Corporate, Corporate Finance, Securities and International Law practices in the Boston office. Dolf has spent a substantial portion of his 38 years of practice dealing with various types of situations involving international business in countries other than the United

States. His secret to success has been his ability to think out of the box, being a deal closer and problem solving.

**Associations:** Massachusetts and New York Bar Associations, Board of Directors for Friends of Caritas Cubana, Member of the Board of Advisers of Boston Harbor Investment Management, LLC, Co-Founder and current Director of the New England-Latin America Business Council, Inc., Past cochair of the International Law Section of the Boston Bar Association, Former member of the Board of Directors of Carboclor Industrias Quimicas, S.A., and its publicly-owned parent, Sol Petroleo, S.A., two companies involved in energy, petroleum and petrochemical activities based in Buenos Aires, Argentina Honors: Who's Who Legal: Merger and Acquisitions Lawyers 2014; New England's Top Rated Lawyers (ALM) 2012; he International Who's Who of Merger & Acquisition Lawyers 2012; The Best Lawyers in America (2007-2011, 2014, 2015); Who's Who in American Law and other "Who's Who" listings; Lifetime listing with Strathmore's Who's Who Registry **Education:** Bachelor Degree, Harvard College; Law Degree, Georgetown University Family: Married to Elizabeth Garcia with children, Armstrong Garcia, Lacy Garcia Roosevelt and three grandchildren

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#### Garcia, Gabriel

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City of San Antonio
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Garcia has extensive
legal experience in the
areas of utility and



telecommunications regulation, public utility financing, communications network architecture, water law, government procurement, land development, and municipal law. He has represented public and private sector clients in utility administrative proceedings before state and federal regulatory agencies, participated in multistate litigation cases as a lawyer for the Texas Attorney General, and served as in-house counsel for two private companies in the communications industry. Over the last eight years, he has served on the legal staff for the City of San Antonio which provides utility services to its citizens. In this capacity, he provides legal counsel to several city departments and officials in a wide range of matters related to utility regulation, information technology, public infrastructure, land development, and local franchising. He is driven by a commitment to protect the public interest and improve the quality of life in the community through the delivery of utility services at fair rates and the construction of infrastructure projects that promote economic development.

Associations: State Bar of Texas, Texas Municipal Lawyers Association, San Antonio Bar Association, President, Texas Association of Telecommunications Officers and Advisors; and Past-President, State Bar of Texas Public Utility Law Section. In law school, he served on the editorial board of the Texas International Law Journal.

Education: JD - University of Texas School of Law (1992); Masters in Public Affairs - LBJ School of Public Affairs at the University of Texas (1992); and BA in Latin American Studies - University of Texas at Austin.

Family: Married to Carol Garcia and they have 3 children (Lorenzo, Ileana, and Antonio)

2015

#### Garcia Palisch, Jacqueline

VP of Strategy & Operation Support

Nationwide Laboratory Services 2030 West McNab Road Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33309 nationwidelab.com **Business Specialty:** 



Since opening its doors, Nationwide Laboratory Services has established

itself as the largest independent, non-aligned specialty laboratory in the dialysis industry. Utilizing "state-of-the-art" laboratory instrumentation, providing fast, accurate results and focusing on customer satisfaction will continue to make Nationwide Laboratory Services the leading specialized laboratory. As a leader in the dialysis specialty laboratory industry, Nationwide Laboratory Services is equipped to go several steps beyond the capabilities of other labs. Nationwide Laboratory Services currently services over 250 dialysis clinics in 36 states, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands. Jacqueline is the newest member of the Executive Management Team at Nationwide Laboratory Services. She has overall responsibility for overseeing the growth strategy and also managing operations support for NLS. Prior to joining NLS, Jacqueline served as a Senior Director of Business Development for Fresenius Medical Care North America. Jacqueline's background includes over sixteen years of broad healthcare management experience with growth strategy development, operations, management, new product launch, sales and business development. She began her career in healthcare and life sciences with Merck & Co in sales and has held leadership and executive roles with companies engaged in

pharmaceutical products, hospital care, medical devices, as well as oncology and nephrology services. Jacqueline has been in the industry for over sixteen years. Her secret to success has been her passion, dedication, tenacity and her perseverance. *Associations:* Member of the National Renal Administrators Association and the National Society Hispanic MBAs (NSHMBA) *Honors:* Recipient of various awards and

recognitions with past companies

\*Education:\* Bachelor's Degree in Business

Administration with a concentration in

Finance from the University of Houston;

Certificate in Leadership from Rice University

\*Family:\* Married to Anthony J. Palisch, and between them they have three children:

Ashley, Anastasia and Nicholas

2015

## Gallegos, Margaret W.

Artist
Gallego Studio
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Los Angeles, CA
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Business Specialty:
Margaret maintains a
thriving art practice
and art studio in West
Los Angeles,
California: Gallegos



Studio. She has been painting full-time and exhibiting for over thirty years. Prior to that she worked as a Senior Analyst in the Computer Sciences Department at The RAND Corporation and for four years in a technical start-up, Interactive Systems Corporation, where she was one of four co-founders, alongside her husband, Peter G. Weiner, the principal founder. Gallegos also worked briefly at UCLA on a research project on **Emergency Medical Systems Response Time** funded by D.O.T. Despite finding that she could take on many different roles and tasks when required, her ultimate goal and what truly holds her passion is her time in the studio, which makes her extremely happy. Margaret considers herself an old soul and enjoys doing what she loves most, throwing herself into her work--painting and printmaking. As an artist she has worked in straight representation as well as abstraction, but these approaches are beginning to merge. She says she was raised in an entrepreneurial household and learned to appreciate all of the opportunities and blessings that she has received along the way. Gallegos has no intention of ever retiring and is now working almost three months a year during her "vacations" in Paris, France, where she has a tiny atelier.

Associations: Until early 2014, when she

decided to go solo after fifteen years, she was an active member of FIG (First Independent Gallery), at Bergamot Station in Santa Monica, and is a member of LAPS, the Los Angeles Printmaking Society and WCA, the Women's Caucus for Art. Through the WCA, she was a co-founder of the Women of Color Project and Travelling Exhibition along with artist Faith Ringgold.

**Honors:** Texas Teacher of the year award in 2002

**Education:** She attended UCLA where she obtained a BA Cum Laude from the School of Fine Arts and studied with Richard Diebenkorn and William Brice.

Family: Husband, Peter G. Weiner

### Garza-Montalvo, Ayda

#### M.D., FACOG

Renaissance Women's Healthcare, P.A. 5115 S. McColl Rd. Edinburg, TX 78539 www.rwhobgyn.com *Business Specialty:* At Renaissance Women's Healthcare's expertise in such important



women's health issues as Osteoporosis,
Cancer treatment, family planning and many
other areas, enables them to effectively treat
what really concerns women. They deliver
quality care to women throughout the region,
and try to equip their patients with
preventive measures, especially when it
concerns osteoporosis, a disease that
gradually weakens the bones. Dr. GarzaMontalvo has been with Renaissance
Women's Healthcare since 1997. Previously
she worked at Valley Women's Clinic and
Presbyterian Hospital in Dallas, Texas.

Associations: Fellowship of the American
College of Ob/Gyn; Texas Medical

Association; Hidalgo County Medical Society; Hobbies include water sports and skiing *Honors:* Southwestern Medical Foundation Scholarship; Melba Williams Scholarship; National Hispanic Scholarship Fund (NHSF); Yale College Scholarship; National Merit Scholarship; TV Commercial for NHSF; AAMC/AMA, American Medical Television Video

Education: Doctor of Medicine Degree (M.D.), UT Medical School, Dallas, TX; Bachelor of Arts Degree, Biology, Yale University, New Haven, CT; Obstetrics/Gynecology Residency, UT Southwestern Medical Center, Parkland Memorial Hospital

Family: Married with children

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# Goforth, Marie P.

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specializing in Retirement Distribution Planning. We provide unbiased customized multidimensional strategies to help protect, to grow and to distribute your assets. We specialize in financial relationship management where your genuine care and comfort is our highest mission and where our value added services are continually reducing your costs in terms of time, effort and dollars. Our practice is targeted at establishing longterm, committed relationships with a finite number of clients to enable better service and more personal attention. Our goal is to be your Trusted Advisor who takes care of your money so you can focus your time on what's most important to you and your family. Marie Goforth, President of MG Financial Strategies, Inc. is a seasoned professional of high integrity who has earned the professional skills to provide value added stewardship of her clients' money. Marie has been an independent business professional for over 35 years. Through extensive education and adherence to a strict code of ethics. Marie has achieved professional certification as a Chartered Life Underwriter (CLU) and Chartered Financial Consultant (ChFC). As a Life Member of the worldwide group of investment and insurance professionals, The Million Dollar Round Table, she achieved " Top of the Table" status (based on total revenues) obtained by less than one percent

of its over 350,000 worldwide professionals. Marie has worked diligently to improve her community and in 1988 founded the local chapter of the "I Have a Dream Foundation" for disadvantaged and at-risk students and sponsored the first class of Dreamers. Some accolades include the JC Penney Golden Rule Award, the San Antonio Life Underwriters Public Service Award and the Entrepreneur of the Year Award for Community Service. She is a member of Who's Who of American Women and Who's Who of Executives and Professionals, a Rotarian and Leadership San Antonio alumnus.

Associations: Life Member of "The Million Dollar Round Table"; Who's Who of American Women; Who's Who of Executives and Professionals; a Rotarian and Leadership San Antonio alumnus

Honors: Achieved "Top of the Table" status, The Million Dollar Round Table; JC Penney Golden Rule Award; the San Antonio Life Underwriters Public Service Award; the Entrepreneur of the Year Award for Community Service

**Education:** Chartered Life Underwriter (CLU); Chartered Financial Consultant (ChFC).

Family: 4 children and 2 grandchildren

#### Gomez, Jorge

CEO
F.F. Gomez, Inc.
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Whittier, CA 90602
www.ffgomez.com
Business Specialty:
Jorge A. Gomez
began his venture in
the Refuse industry
at the young age of



11. He began assembling electrical auto pack systems from home with the guidance of his father, Francisco F. Gomez. His father, whom at that time worked for the largest refuse truck body manufacture in southern California, felt it was important that his son learned a trade. Francisco branched out on his own with over 30 years of experience in refuse truck body and equipment manufacturing, and F.F. Gomez was born in 1998. In 2001 Mr. Gomez was joined by his son, Jorge Gomez, who now was 21 years of age, and had 10 years of hands on experience, came on board to run the production line like his father did at that age. Jorge has never stopped working alongside his father and till this day you can find Francisco and Jorge together. In 2005, now at the forefront of F.F.Gomez, Jorge felt he needed more help so he brought on board his brother, Louis Gomez. Although Louis didn't run the production line like Jorge and Francisco, he took on the on the challenges of structuring the company professionally. Jorge says he's "very fortunate to be working along side both his brother and father, especially doing something he loves". Jorge is now the CEO at F.F.Gomez and strives to embed the company name in the industry.

**Education:** Two years at Junior College **Family:** Happily married with one son

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## Gonzales, Jr., Emelio

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Business Specialty:
Apex Limited, Inc.

understands the



importance of family and being a family owned business with big business values, they continue to push themselves to provide services that will meet or exceed their customers' expectations. This driven passion is what has made Apex Limited, Inc. such a success. This success and growth would not be possible without the passion (for their respective positions) that permeates all of their employees. The staff of 150 plus employees (and still growing) is a litmus test testament of Apex's growth. Apex values long relationships with both its customers and its partners (with multiple ventures or projects). Their quest includes a continual search for growth opportunities (through new accounts and partners) while maintaining excellent customer services for existing customers. Ultimately, Apex strives to be a good corporate citizen that provides jobs for the community and supports the community charitable contributions. Emelio started in the business at Lackland AFB as a driver for a janitorial company. Because of h is vast work experience and continual educational upgrades, he gained increasingly responsible positions within the companies for which he worked. He attained the highest level in his profession, Registered Executive Housekeeper (REH). The combination of work experience and education prepared him for owning his own business. Today, Apex

conducts business in three states, Texas, Missouri, and Kansas. Currently, three of Emelio's daughters, his son-in-law, who is General Manager, and sister work in the business. Emelio attributes his success in business by putting his trust in God, strong faith in the Lord and having God's favor. **Associations:** Life Changing Worship Center, where he is the Praise and Worship Leader **Honors:** Recognized by ISSA to be CIMS-Green Building Certified with Honors **Education:** Southwest Texas Junior College; REH through International Executive Housekeeper Association; Management Development and Business Development through Servicemaster Management Education

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# González, Jessica

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Rusiness Specialty: N

Business Specialty: Ms. González has been an Attorney with the Law Offices of Domingo Garcia since 2010. She



is a Trial Attorney, Civil Litigation and is an expert in voting rights. Ms. González is licensed to practice in the State of Texas. She served on Capitol Hill and with the Senior Advisor on Immigration at The White House, and during that time she also organized and facilitated a panel discussion on Capitol Hill, surrounding a white paper she authored entitled "New State Voting Laws: A Barrier to the Latino?". Previously, Ms. González was selected as the 2011-2012 Congressional Hispanic Caucus Institute Law Graduated Fellow, where she served on Capitol Hill and with the Senior Advisor on Immigration at The White House. Thereafter, she she served as the Statewide Voter Protection Director in Nevada for the Obama re-election campaign in 2012.

Associations: Dallas County Democratic Party Advisory Council and on the Board of Stonewall Democrats of Dallas as the Voter Registration Co-Chair.

Honors: Selected as the 2011-2012 Congressional Hispanic Caucus Institute Law Graduated Fellow, where she served on Capitol Hill and with the Senior Advisor on Immigration at The White House.

**Education:** Bachelor of Arts in Criminology and Criminal Justice, Magna Cum Laude, from the University of Texas at Arlington, and her Juris Doctor from Thomas M. Cooley Law

School, graduating Cum Laude *Family:* Parents, Luis and Bertha Gonzalez

# THE LATINO AMERICAN WHO'S WHO – $\stackrel{-}{\text{TOP}}$ 100 $^{2015}$

#### Gonzalez, Joel

President/Bankruptcy
Attorney
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bankruptcy4corpus.com *Business Specialty:* Mr.
Gonzalez worked for a

mid-size firm, on



personal injury, worker's compensation, social security and other matters. He also started a consumer bankruptcy practice from the ground up, and discovered bankruptcy law more interesting than any other area he practiced. When Mr. Gonzalez left to start his own firm in February 2008, naturally bankruptcy became a main tenant of his practice. Mr. Gonzalez feels each client's situation is unique and is very straightforward with all his clients.

Associations: Max Gardner Bankruptcy Boot Camp; National Association of Consumer Bankruptcy Attorneys; Texas Trial Lawyers Association; Texas Bar Association

Education: Juris Doctor, Cleveland State University - Cleveland-Marshall College of Law, 2004, Cleveland, OH; Bachelor of Arts, Majored in Speech Communication with a Minor in Philosophy, Corpus Christi, TX; Associate of Applied Science, Del Mar College, Corpus Christi, TX

*Family:* Married to Susan Gonzalez with two children

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### Gonzalez, Luis E.

Assistant Vice President & CTO
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Business Specialty: The
Ana G. Mendez

**University System** 



(AGMUS) is a non-profit organization dedicated to the Higher Education market in Puerto Rico and the United States. Currently, AGMUS or Sistema Universitario Ana G. Mendez, official name in Spanish, is constituted by three Universities with fourteen off-campus centers in different cities or towns in Puerto Rico, and five branch campuses in the United State. The newest addition to AGMUS which becomes its fourth university, Universidad Ana G. Mendez --Campus Virtual, is currently in the accreditation process of the Middle States Commission on Higher Education (MSCHE). Our branch campuses in the United States are located, three in the State of Florida in the areas of Orlando, South Florida and Tampa, two in the State of Maryland located in Wheaton and DC. A six branch campus is schedule to open in the State of Texas around January 2015 in the area of Dallas. AGMUS was founded in 1949 in an effort to transform the widest reach, resulting in an university system which throughout the years have experienced an nprecedented growth. Besides the four universities, Universidad del Este (which started as Puerto Rico Junior College), Universidad Metropolitana, Universidad del Turabo and Universidad Ana G. Mendez -- Campus Virtual, AGMUS also operates a PBS affiliate Television Channel known as Sistema TV (Channel 40/16). Mr.

Gonzalez has more than 35 years in the IT profession in different positions starting as Programmer Analyst back in 1979 to Associate Vice President in the present. Dedicating his last thirty years to the service of Ana G. Mendez University System and contributing to the IT transformation experience on AGMUS through the last thirty years. Luis received his Bachelor Degree, Business Administration, major in Information Systems, minor in Statistics from the University of Puerto Rico Rio Piedras Campus in 1977. Currently Luis is heading the Ellucian Latin America and Caribbean Technology Advisory Board, providing feedback to Ellucian that will help them developed stronger and state of the art information systems for the higher education market both on the US and abroad in this globalize market. Luis is a Certified Quality Improvement Associate and member of the American Society for Quality.

Associations: Associate Member of American Society for Quality Member of the Ellucian Latin America and Caribbean Technology Advisory Board, currently serving as the Leader or Chairman of this board.

Education: Bachelor Degree in Business Administration, major in Information Systems, minor in Statistics, University of Puerto Rico, Rio Piedras Campus, 1977 Family: Married with children.

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#### Gonzalez-Solozabal, Sergio

Mechanical Engineer Dynaric Inc. 5740 Bayside Rd. Virginia Beach, VA 23455 www.dynaric.com *Business Specialty:* Dynaric is a leading manufacturer and supplier of quality plastic strapping,



strapping machines and equipment to industries with both general and specialized packaging application found in 1973. They manufacture over 250 non-metallic grade polypropylene and polyester plastic banding products, as well as, a complete line of battery powered and pneumatic friction weld hand tools, semiautomatic, automatic and fully automatic banding machines. Sergio Gonzalez-Solozabal has been with Dynaric for 2 1/2 years and his position here is a Mechanical Engineer with an expertise in design and manufacture. He has been in the industry over 9 years and his secret to success has been his perseverance and never give up attitude.

**Associations:** Rally Automotive Club; Hobbies

include race car driving

**Honors:** Mexico's 2007 National Rally Champion as a co-driver; Silver Helmet 2007; 2008 NACAM Rally Championship 3rd Place as a co-driver; Go Fast Extreme Athlete 2003-2008

**Education:** Bachelors Degree from the Unitec in Mexico; Masters Degree in Quality and Productivity; completed PLC programming and wiring courses

Family: Married to: Julieta M. Favela Yobal

# Graves, Stephanie

President & CEO
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Business Specialty: The
Lee Andrews Group,
Inc. is one of California's
leading minority,
woman-owned small
businesses. Stephanie



Graves has been President and CEO since September of 2013. The firm provides public affairs, community outreach, environmental review, medial relations and crisis communications. Founder, Donna Andrews, who recently passed, led the group for the past twenty years to be a premier consulting firm, and Stephanie had collaborated with her to develop strategic growth opportunities, and build client relations. Prior to joining the LA Group, Stephanie served as the President of SG Consulting, a leading political strategy and fundraising company, specializing in providing media relations, marketing and outreach for local, state and federal clients working with the Speaker of California and the California Attorney General. Her secret to success is to keep your head down, do a good job and good things will come to you.

Associations: Active with the Community Coalition in South Central Los Angeles; Hobbies include biking and spending time with her daughter

Education: Bachelor Degree, University of

Southern California

Family: One daughter, Kristina

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### Guerra, Luis Alberto

Managing Partner
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Business Specialty: The
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is committed to serving
clients with all types of



immigration cases ranging from security visas for investors, obtaining visas for professionals, securing green cards for eligible applicants, and attaining citizenship. The firm also offers aggressive deportation defense to immigrants who are facing the risk of removal due to a criminal matter. Mr. Guerra's secret to success has been perseverance. As an immigrant himself, he came to the United States at only 15 years old. He fell in love with this country and decided to make this country his home. After many challenges, Mr. Guerra received permanent resident status followed by full citizenship. Through education, Mr. Guerra worked hard to obtain the position he holds today. He faced the immigration challenges himself and overcame them, which is a testament to his legal capabilities. His personal experience and unique insight into the U.S. immigration system can act as a major advantage to his clients in their immigration cases.

**Associations:** Active member of the American Immigration Lawyers Association (AILA)

Honors: Graduated Top 5% of his class at

Nova Southeastern University

Education: Bachelor of Arts Degree in Political Science from Florida Atlantic University; completed the Rio Summer Legal & Policy Study at the Georgia State University School of Law, Rio de Janeiro in Brazil;

Summer Law Program at the University of Notre Dame Law School in London, England; Juris Doctorate degree from Nova Southeastern University in Fort Lauderdale, FL

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#### Guinto, Veronica B.

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Business Specialty:
Mrs. Guinto began her
legal career on the
East Coast at the



highest court of the State of New York, the Court of Appeals. She worked as a Central Legal Research Staff Attorney, then became a judicial law clerk to the Hon. Albert M. Rosenblatt (ret.). After completing her clerkships, Mrs. Guinto returned to California and became a civil litigator at a top ranked commercial litigation law firm in the Bay Area. She became a trusted advisor on employment law issues and began an immigration law practice area at that firm. She established her law office in 2012, focusing on Immigration Law, handling waivers of inadmissibility, family-based petitions, adjustment of status, and employment-based petitions, like H-1bs. Mrs. Guinto's office also offers Employment Law counseling for local small businesses. She is committed to providing high-quality, skilled representation to each of her clients.

Associations: Asian American Bar Association, American Immigration Lawyer Association, Volunteer Attorney at the International Institute of the Bay Area, Volunteer at various "Know Your Rights" and Naturalization workshops throughout Sacramento and the Bay Area sponsored by AILA, ACLU, APILO/AABA, McGeorge Law School

*Honors:* Certificate of Achievement, Pro Bono Champion (AILA), 2013

Education: Mrs. Guinto received her J.D. in 2004 from the University of California King Hall School of Law, and earned two B.A.s in 2001 from the University of California, Davis in Political Science - public service emphasis (with highest honors), and Communications (with honors).

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#### Guridy, Julio A.

President
Allentown City Council
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Allentown, PA 18101
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Business Specialty:
The Mission of the
Allentown City Council
is to provide, in a
democratic and

transparent manner,



efficient and effective services which will make the City of Allentown a better place in which to live, work and play. Councilman Guridy has been the President of the Allentown City Council for 1 year. He has been with the Allentown City Council for over 12 years. In 2001, Councilman Guridy was elected to Allentown City Council and reelected in 2005. Councilman Guridy is in charge of economic development, public safety, finance, passing budgets, and running meetings.

**Associations:** Member of the Governors Advisory Commission on Latinos Affairs; President and founding member of Latin Alliance of the Lehigh Valley; Commissioner of the Allentown Housing Authority; Board Member of the Chamber of Commerce of Greater Lehigh Valley; President and founder of the Latino Leadership Alliance of the Lehigh Valley; President and founder Dominican Cultural Association of the Lehigh Valley; President and founder Community Action Development Corporation; President of the Hispanic Business Council; Vice President of Latinos for a New Lehigh Valley; Secretary of the American Heart Association; Vice President Community Action Committee of the Lehigh Valley; founding member of AIDSNET; Board of Directors of East Stroudsburg University Alumni Association;

Vice President of the Neighborhood Housing Services of the Lehigh Valley; Member of the Allentown Liberty Bell Rotary Club; President of the Act 101 Advisory Board of Northampton County Community College: Board of Directors of the American Red Cross: Member of the Allentown School District Empowerment Team; Board of Directors of Business Education Partnership; Board of Director of the Dominican National Round Table and many more; Hobbies: traveling, skiing, golfing, and horseback riding Honors: Outstanding Dominican American, President & Embassy of the D.O.; Citizen of the year in PA, Dominican Parade of Philadelphia, southern New Jersey & Lehigh Valley; Distinguished Community Partnership Award, Chamber of Commerce of the Greater L.V.

**Education:** Masters Degree in Sociology with a minor in Criminal Justice Administration from Indiana University

*Family:* Married to: Mercedes Guridy, Children: Jeremy, Julian and Giovanni

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# Gutierrez Loredo, Judith Ph.D.

Asst. Commissioner
College Readiness &
Success
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Business Specialty: Dr. Judith Gutierrez
Loredo has been Asst. Commissioner for
College Readiness and Success with the Texas
Higher Education Coordinating Board since
2008. Her personal expertise is Educator
Preparation Higher Education
Administration, HB5, and Public Education
Administration. Dr. Loredo's secret to success
has been her desire to help children who
were academically challenged as she was.
Associations: Board of Wonders and Worries,

Associations: Board of Wonders and Worries, Former Board Member Laguna Gloria Art Museum and Brackenridge Hospital, Former member of Ronald McDonald House, United Way of Austin Advisory Board-Education Rep from Huston-Tillotson University, and Club Sembradores de Austin, Former President of the Club Sembradoras de San Antonio, Former member of the Board of Directors Con Mi MADRE of Austin

Honors: Selected "Woman of Distinction", Central Texas Girl Scouts, 2006; Hispanic Chamber of Commerce-Education Award for Outstanding Leadership, 2006; Joseph T. McMillan Endowed Professorship in Teacher Education, 2000; Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society, University of Texas at Austin Chapter; Phi Delta Kappa Honorary Fraternity, University of Texas at Austin Education: Certificate of Completion, San Antonio Junior College; B.A., Science

Communication Disorders, M.A., Speech Pathology and M.Ed., Masters in Education, all from Our Lady of the Lake University; Ph.D., Doctor of Philosophy in Educational Administration, University at Texas at Austin *Family:* Married to Sonny Loredo with children: Alysa Denise, Lloyd Eleuterio, two grandchildren, four stepdaughters and twenty-one step grandchildren

#### Hernandez, John

President
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Business Specialty: John
Hernandez founded Bell
Star Tower dba Bell Star
Mechanical sixteen years
ago. The company
builds, services and



maintains cooling towers. Bell Star Tower has completed a number of projects in some of the most notable signature office buildings, hospitals and museums in New York City. When enlisting in the U.S.A.F. John was given a secret clearance for the handling of nuclear weapons. After his service in the U.S. Air Force, he started his career as a licensed welder in the southwest and then after many years of experience launched Bell Star Tower Inc. His secret to success is listing and meeting his customers' needs.

Education: Graduate of Aviation High School. Studied for the Priesthood for one year at a monastery in Garrison, New York; Took numerous correspondence courses

Family: Married to Patricia, proud son of Felicia and Francisco, brother to three sisters and uncle to two nephews, one grandnephew and two nieces

Associations: Vietnam Veterans Of America

# THE LATINO AMERICAN WHO'S WHO – $\stackrel{-}{\text{TOP}}$ 100 $^{2015}$

# Hinojos, Teresa René

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Business Specialty:
Ms. Hinojos joined
Hunter Wise in 2004
and has established a



reputation among industry professionals for being a strong leader and an excellent strategist. At age 33, she is the youngest, female President of an investment banking firm in the U.S.. Her secret to success has been her endurance and dedication.

**Honors:** Received the "Deal of the Year" at the 10th Annual M&A Advisors Awards; M&A Advisors 40 Under 40 Finalist

**Education:** Obtained a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Administration from Cal State Long Beach with a concentration in finance investments; holds her Series 7, 66, 24, 79 and 91

Family: Two children: Nathan and Lauryn

# THE LATINO AMERICAN WHO'S WHO – $\stackrel{-}{\text{TOP}}$ 100 $^{2015}$

# Jeffords, Leticia Gutierrez

**D.D.S., M.S.** 

My Child's Dentist 14603 Huebner, Ste. 701 San Antonio, TX 78230 www.mychildsdentistsa.com



**Business Specialty:** My Child's Dentist has been

serving the pediatric dental needs of children all across the San Antonio community for many years. The facility is designed with your child in mind, with state-of-the-art equipment and a friendly environment, enabling them to treat children of all ages. Under the leadership of Dr. Offutt and Dr. Jeffords, the practice has grown into one of the premier pediatric dental offices in the area. The staff is made up of qualified professionals with years of experience in the industry. They will care for your child as if he or she is a member of their family.

Education: Attended the College of Notre
Dame of Maryland; Dental and Pediatric
Dental Specialty Training, University of
Maryland; Completed Post-Doctoral training,
and received her Masters Degree in Oral
Biology at University of Maryland, 1995;
Completed a teaching and research fellowship
at the University of Texas Health Science
Center at San Antonio, 1996

*Family:* Married with daughter, Gabriella and son, Jackson

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# Lemos, Larry

#### R.N.

President
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Business Specialty:



During the fall of 1980, the nationwide shortage of registered nurses reached crisis proportions. Nurses were leaving the profession in droves, enrollment in nursing schools was decreasing, and discontent was widespread. Discontent ranged from disillusionment with nursing as a profession to adversarial relationships with physicians and resulted in pronounced staffing shortages. This unfortunate situation was nor more pronounced than in the VA system. When PL 96-330 was passed by Congress without direct input from VA nurses, a small group of dedicated nurses at the Hines VA Hospital in Illinois decided that it was time for action. This decision marked the birth of the Nurses Organization of Veterans Affairs. Earlier, in the spring of 1980, a proposal was drafted encompassing the concept of a nationwide professional nursing organization with an educational and legislative emphasis. Since it was founded, NOVA has grown to include VA nurses from all over the United States. These nurses have pursued their goals resolutely and have been able to influence significantly our nation's legislators on issues of veterans' health care. Mr. Lemos has on the NOVA Board of Directors since May of 2001, and has been employed by the Department of Veterans Affairs fr over twenty years. He is certified as a Nurse Executive and as a

Gerontological Clinical Nurse Specialist by the American Nurses Credentialing Center. He is also a Nursing Instructor for the Accelerated BSN Program at Mount St. Mary's College.

Associations: Clinical Nurse

Specialists; Gerontological Advanced Practice Nurses Association, UCSF School of Nursing Alumni, and the University of San Francisco School of Nursing and Health Professionals Alumni

Education: Doctor of Nursing Practice,
Nursing Practice, University of San Francisco;
Master of Healthcare Administration,
Health/Health Care
Administration/Management, Golden Gate
University; Master of Science (M.S.)
Gerontological Clinical Nurse Specialist,
University of California, San Francisco;
Bachelor of Science, (B.S.), Registered
Nursing/Registered Nurse, University of San
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#### Londres, Alla V.

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Immigration Law with a focus on familybased and employment-based immigration, asylum, naturalization and deportation defense. The majority of cases the firm handles are immigration (95%). The firm also provides legal services in corporate law, family, wills and estates and municipal law. Mrs. Londres is admitted to practice in the States of New Jersey and New York. Mrs. Londres immigrated to the United States over a decade ago and has a unique perspective on the challenges faced in a new country. This perspective and the experience gained working in U.S. Government positions such as the Executive Office for Immigration Review (EOIR) Immigration Court, United States Department of Homeland Security (USDHS), Office of Chief Counsel and the U.S. District Court allows her provide strong legal representation in U.S. Immigration and Nationality Law.

Associations: American Immigration
Lawyers Association, New Jersey State Bar
Association, Naturalization and Americanism
Section, American Bar Association
Honors: CALI Excellence in Civil Practice,
2010, Immigration Law, 2009, Mediation,
2009 and International Human Rights, 2009
Education: J.D., Immigration Law, Touro
College, Jacob D. Fuschberg Law Center

### Lovero, Hon. Robert J.

Mayor
City of Berwyn, Illinois
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Berwyn, IL 60402
www.berwyn-il.gov *Business Specialty:*Berwyn's development
began in 1856, in 1902,
it was incorporated as a
village, and six years
later, on June 6, 1908,



Berwyn became a city. It is a stable, safe, and diverse community. With the continuing efforts of its homeowners, business community, civic organizations, and city government, Berwyn looks forward to its "second century" as it celebrates its rich and varied past. The city is 3.8 square miles and has a population of over 56,000 residents. Mayor Lovero was an attorney by trade for twenty years, and has been in the political realm for twenty years, where he has served as a City Prosecutor, and Alderman and is now in his second term at Mayor of Berwyn. **Associations:** Sons of Italy, Past President of the local Italian Club, Hobbies include fishing Honors: "Man of the Year" from the local Italian Club, "Humanitarian Award, from Sons of Italy, "Piper Award" from YMCA, Recipient of "Teeter Award" for bringing business and economic growth to Berwyn

**Education:** BS, Criminal Justice, Loyola University; JD, Northern Illinois University in Glen Ellyn, Military-United States Marine Corps

**Family:** Married to Gail with children: Danielle, Gabrielle and Thomas, Father -Thomas Perez

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#### Lozano, Paola

Attorney/Partner Skadden Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP 4 Times Square New York, NY 10030 www.skadden.com *Business Specialty:* Paola Lozano is a

partner in Skadden's

New York-based M&A



group and heads the firm's Spanish language corporate practice. She represents clients in mergers, acquisitions, dispositions and other corporate matters, with emphasis on crossborder and international transactions. Ms. Lozano is widely recognized by leading business and industry publications as a leader in handling many of the region's most complex transactions. She is cited as "one of the best Latin America lawyers in the market today" by Chambers, a leading global legal directory. She routinely is described as "one of the most hard-working Latin American lawyers in the market today" (Chambers) and Latinvex recently stated, "Lozano has within a few short years become one of the leading Latin American M&A lawyers. In 2014, Ms. Lozano accepted an award from the Colombian Foreign Affairs Ministry naming her one of the fifteen most inspiring Colombian women abroad who excel in business, education, the arts, or the law. She and her peers were selected from a list of over 100 professionals by Colombian President Juan Manuel Santos himself, who also personally presented the award in a ceremony at the presidential residence in Bogotá. Ms. Lozano was a lawyer at a top Colombian firm prior to joining Skadden. She then became the first Latin American born

and licensed female lawyer to become a

partner at Skadden. Since joining the firm, her

colleagues and peers have come to recognize her as a shining example of the role that both women and those from diverse cultural backgrounds can play in the US and global legal markets. Under Ms. Lozano's leadership, Skadden has significantly expanded its Latin America practice, including by promoting various Hispanic associates to partner and counsel. Her efforts during this period have been outstanding, as evidenced by Skadden's leading rankings and the recognition of clients, peers and business and legal publications.

Associations: Beyond the legal profession, Ms. Lozano takes an active role in the civic sector. She currently is a director of the Goddard Riverside Community Center in New York and was chosen to be a David Rockefeller Fellow.

Honors: AV Rated, Martindale Hubbell; Latinvex has named her one of "Latin America's Top 100 Lawyers" and "Latin America's Top 50 Female Lawyers." The Latin Business Chronicle has selected Ms. Lozano as one of its "Latin Legal Stars" and Latin Lawyer magazine named her one of its "Inspiring Women in Law."

Education: LL.M., Banking and Corporate Finance, Fordham University School of Law, 2001; Masters Degree, International Commercial Law, Universidad de los Andes, Bogota, Colombia, 1994; J.D., Universidad de los Andes, Bogota, Colombia, 1993

Family: Married to Brooks Olbrys with one son, Nicolas Olbrys

### Lujan, Michael

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limelighthealth.com *Business Specialty:*Limelight Health is a
Silicon Valley based
startup with a suite of



cloud-based technology products, qualified leads and sales tools for health insurance agents. Michael Lujan is a Co-founder and Chief Sales Officer for Limelight health, and in 2012 he helped establish the California Health Benefit Exchange, now known as Covered California. He served as Director of Sales and Marketing for both the individual and small group segments. He recruited more than 20,000 California agents who contributed a significant share of the 1.2 million enrolled in California. A former Agent, General Agent and Director of Sales for Blue Shield of California, Michael is an outspoken advocate for the agent distribution channel, small business and the uninsured. Michael's secret to success has been in having good mentors.

Associations: Board member for the Northern California Employee Benefit Council. Chair for CAHU's New Diversity Committee

**Honors:** Nominated for CAHU President-Elect; Guest speaker and panelist on health care reform

**Education:** Registered Health Underwriter; Certified Healthcare Reform Specialist; Attended Cal State Northridge Career Center **Family:** Married to Marnee with one

daughter, Maya

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# Luque, Amneris E.

M.D.

University of Rochester Medical Center 601 Elmwood Avenue Box 689 Rochester, NY 14642 urmc.rochester.edu **Business Specialty:** One of the nation's top academic medical



centers, the University of Rochester Medical Center forms the centerpiece of the University's health research, teaching, patient care, and community outreach missions. With more than \$145 million in federal research funding, UR School of Medicine research funding ranks in the top one-quarter of U.S. medical centers, while the School of Nursing ranks 12th highest in funding. The University's health care delivery network is anchored by Strong Memorial Hospital, a 739bed, University owned teaching hospital, which boasts programs that consistently rank among "America's Best Hospitals," according to U.S. News & World Report. Dr. Amneris Luque is with the University of Rochester Medical Center and her specialties include internal medicine and infectious disease.

Associations: ASM; HIVMA; NHMA
Honors: Recognition from the National
Hispanic Medical Association for Leadership
in Improving the Health of Hispanics from the
National Hispanic Medical Association; The
Dr. Linda Laubestein HIV Clinical Excellence
Award from the NYS Department of Health
AIDS Institute; National Hispanic Medical
Association Leadership Fellowship from the
National Hispanic Medical Association;
Distinguished Physician of the Year Award
from the Visiting Nurse Service

Education: MD from the School of Medicine,

University of Carabobo in Venezuela; Magiser Scientiarum in Internal Medicine from the Universidad Central de Venezuela-Vargas Hospital; Fellowship in Infectious Diseases at the University of Rochester, Department of Medicine; Internship in Internal Medicine at Miquel Perez Carreno Hospital; Residency in Internal Medicine at Vargas Hospital

### Martinez, Jairo

President
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and Consulting Group
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antomako-mape.com *Business Specialty:*AntoMako MAPE was
founded in 2000 and
has been very
successful in designing



and manufacturing two way radios in the analog and digital domain. AntoMako-MAPE specialized in conventional two way radios in the analog and Digital domain in VHF and UHF, PC Tablets 7, 8, 10 inches display with two SIM cards, Cell Phones in 2G, 3G, 4G LTE, professional video cameras/DVR, and taxi services in Colombia and Peru. Their unparalleled service, competitive prices, and overall value are why their customers keep returning. Prior to starting his company, Jairo was with Harris Corporation as an Sales Engineer and was in charge of some Latin American countries. His secret to success has been his strong desire to be successful. Associations: OPCP Iternational, IWCE, Digital World, IT CEO, FCC and Telecom Careers

**Honors:** Recognized as a Best Engineer while working with SONY Corporation in 1991 and 2002

**Education:** AA Degree, Miami Community College; BSEE at Florida International University (FIU); MBA, International Business, at Ohio State

Family: Married to Barbara with two sons,

Anthony and Michael

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### Maytin, Orlando M.D., FACC FACP

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Business Specialty: Dr. Maytin has been practicing medicine since 1971. His practice is approximately 90% Cardiology and 10% Internal Medicine. He is



Board Certified in Internal Medicine and Cardiology. Dr. Maytin has published over thirty cardiology papers in medical literature, and has written chapters in several books. He is affiliated with University Medical Center, Florida Medical Center, Northwest Regional Medical Center and Westside Regional Hospital, and Coral Springs Medical Center. Dr. Maytin is a Clinical Assistant Professor of Medicine, the Department of Cardiology at the University of Miami, Florida, and was also an Instructor of Medicine at the University of Miami. Previously, he was Chief of Medical Staff at Plantation General Hospital, Chief of Staff at University Medical Center, Tamarac, Florida and Chief of Medicine at Florida Medical Center in Lauderdale Lakes, Florida. Associations: Fellow, American College of Cardiology; Fellow, American College of Chest Physicians; Fellow, American College of Angiology; American College of Cardiology (ACC); AHS; Hobbies include antique cars Education: M.D., University of Madrid, focusing on Chemistry, Biology, Anatomy and Physics; B.A., Edison Institute; Internship and first year Residency, Mt. Sinai Hospital, Miami, Florida; Second year Residency, University of Miami, Jackson Memorial

Hospital, VA Hospital *Family:* One daughter and two sons

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### Melendez, Maria Alejandra

Manager of Talent
Management
Bridgestone Americas
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Business Specialty: The
Bridgestone Group, with
its headquarters in
Tokyo, is the world's
largest tire and rubber



company. In addition to tires, which are used in a wide variety of applications, Bridgestone manufactures a broad range of diversified products that include industrial rubber and chemical products and sporting goods. Bridgestone products are sold in more than 150 nations and territories around the world. Maria has been with Bridgestone Americas for close to eight years, having spent seven in Venezuela in different HR positions. She was promoted to talent management manager and her job entails identifying high talent people, measuring their potential and recruiting high talent people. She also helps with the HR in the talent systems. Her secret to success has been her determination and the moral support and mentoring she obtained from being raised by her Grandmother.

Associations: Past Committee Member for Social Responsibilities Committee in Venezuela; Past Executive Association of Carabobo Representing her company; Hobbies include Flamenco dancing

**Honors:** President's Award, 2007, 2008 and 2009; Summa Cum Laude in HR Career;

Teachers Assistant in College

**Education:** Bachelor's Degree, University of

Carabobo in Venezuela

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#### Monsanto, Andrea

Owner
Aradne, Inc.
10118 SW 107th Ave.
Miami, FL 33176
Business Specialty:
Andrea Monsanto is a
Social Entrepreneur
and co-founder of
Aradne, Center for
human Development.
She was born in



Colombia and immigrated to the United States at age thirteen. For over a decade, she has been engaged in a strict practice of attention management based on practical philosophy. In 2010, she became part of an international network involved in developing the principles of applied conscious learning (ACL), a systematic way of developing awareness about awareness. Andrea is an author, educator and director of Aradne, Center for Human Development, where she teaches individuals and groups cutting-edge applied consciousness tools based on ACL. The results are a greater ability to manage awareness which leads to an awakening of consciousness that brings about a deeper sense of reality, mental clarity, inner peace and empathy. Andrea is deeply committed to social integration and has developed a holistic community program that helps Hispanic minorities in adapting to life in the United States. Through this program, Andrea teaches her students ACL and has a highly qualified staff in place to assist them in mastering the basics of conversational English, which is a key component to their social integration. Andrea feels that one of the major challenges of our times is that people lack selfawareness and self-reflection, which lead to a deep sense of separation with others and the planet. That sense of separation creates a

false perception of reality that leads to suffering and self-destruction that is then reflected back in the way people relate to one another and the environment. At the core of humanity's most pressing issues, there is a desperate need to awaken to a more balanced sense of reality. Andrea's mission is assisting individuals in that process of awakening. She has given numerous lectures and workshops on green-living and applied consciousness. **Associations:** Member, Toastmasters International; Member of CAMACOL and part of the Board of Directors for The Minority Chamber of Commerce.

Honors: Recognized as Visionary Woman of the Year; She received an award as "The Social Entrepreneur of the Year"; Earned several awards as an effective communicator from Toastmasters International Education: B.S., Biochemistry, SUNY at Stony Brook; Attended the School of Practical

Family: Married with two children

Philosophy in New York City.

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# Montalvo-Stanton, Evelyn

M.D.

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Evelyn MontalvoStanton is a Pediatric
Pulmonologist, Founder
and Director of the



Children's RESPIRA Education program. The program is designed to teach Latino families about their children's asthma and become proactive in their child's asthma care. Dr. Montalvo-Stanton has received grants for this program which include funds for children who have no insurance and cannot afford to purchase medications or asthma equipment. In addition, Dr. Montalvo-Stanton was able to receive the Hugh Evans Legacy award for the program in order to not only provide community education but also inpatient asthma education. Children's RESPIRA Education program is now serving 8 counties in New Jersey with the goal of providing these services throughout New Jersey and perhaps on a national level.

Associations: Fellow member of the American Thoracic Society; Fellow member of the American Academy of Pediatrics; Fellow member of the American College of Chest Physicians; Fellow member of the American Medical Association; Former Board of Director for the New Jersey American Lung Association; Former National Assembly member of the National American Lung Association; Chaired on the Pediatric Section of the New Jersey Thoracic Society until 2008; Hobbies: Loves old movies, Classical Baroque music, reading, loves Shelties dogs

Honors: 2012 New Jersey Top Doc, New Jersey's Total Healthcare Resource; 2012 New Jersey Life Health and Beauty Magazine; 2011 Best Doctors in America Award; 2004 Emily Bissell Award; 2000 Bernard Gregory Award for Cultural Diversity

Education: MD Degree from UMDNJ-New Jersey Medical School; Internship, Pediatrics at UMDNJ-New Jersey Medical School; Residency, Pediatrics at UMDNJ-New Jersey Medical School; Fellowship, Pediatric Pulmonology at Columbia Univ.-College of Physicians and Surgeons

Family: Married to Charles Stanton, Esq.

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#### Montes, Rachel E.

Attorney/President
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Montes is a veteran
Dallas trial attorney
with a no-nonsense
approach and stellar



record in personal injury cases. Rachel has always focused her practice on helping people whose lives have been shattered through the legal fault of others. Rachel started her own law firm shortly after receiving her law degree, and has been aggressively standing up for her clients and their families ever since in cases such as trucking accidents, car wrecks, construction site injuries, insurance claims, pharmacy misfills, daycare negligence, nursing home negligence, and others. Rachel is a passionate advocate for her clients' rights: "She feels strongly that it is our duty as lawyers, once we have uncovered dangerous conditions and activities that hurt people, to make sure that it doesn't happen to others. We've been fortunate and blessed to enjoy success for our clients in settlements, and in trial, and that comes from knowing our clients, thorough preparation, and making sure our clients and their families are heard."

Associations: Rachel is a member of several organizations related to Injury Law and the rights she strives to protect: The American Association for Justice, The State Bar of Texas, The Texas Trial Lawyers –Board of Directors, Dallas Bar Association, Dallas Women Lawyers Association- Past President, Dallas Trial Lawyers Association-Board of Directors, The Christian Trial Lawyers Association, and

the Dallas Democratic Lawyers Association. Rachel is also an invited teacher/staff member at Gerry Spence's prestigious Trial Lawyers College, from which she graduated in 2009. Rachel is a frequent invited lecturer and seminar speaker on personal injury law and trial law.

Honors: Best Lawyers in Dallas Under 40 by D Magazine in 2006, Best Personal Injury Lawyer in Dallas by her peers as named in D Magazine in 2009, and she has been named a Texas Super Lawyer every year since 2009. Education: J.D., Texas Wesleyan University School of Law, Dallas, Texas, and was on the Texas Wesleyan Law Review

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# Montoya, Jason Nelson

**Pipeline Safety** Bureau Chief New Mexico Public Regulation Commission 1120 Paseo De Peralta Santa Fe, NM 87501 nmprc.state.nm.us



**Business Specialty:** 

The New Mexico **Public Regulation** 

(NMPRC) regulates the utilities, telecommunications, and motor carrier industries to ensure fair and reasonable rates. and to assure reasonable and adequate services to the public. The NMPRC promotes public safety through the offices of state fire marshal, firefighter training academy, pipeline safety bureau and transportation division.

Iason Nelson Montova is a licensed professional civil engineer with the NMPRC and has been the Pipeline Safety Bureau Chief for 5 years. His secret to success has been his personal commitment and inspiration to make New Mexico a better, safer place to live and work and his ability to be a open minded individual.

**Associations:** New Mexico Regional Common Ground Alliance: National Utility Contractors Association of New Mexico; New Mexico 811 Board Member; National Association of Pipeline Safety Representatives Liaison Committee Chair: National Association of Regulatory Utility Regulatory Commissioners Pipeline Safety Gas Committee member; PHMSA Category I Pipeline Safety Inspector; Pipeline Assessment and Certification Program (PACP)

**Education:** Bachelor of Science from New Mexico State University; Jason is a licensed professional engineer in the states of New

Mexico, Arizona, and Texas. Family: Married to Angelique Romero-Montoya with two children: Paul Angel Montoya and Angeline Sierra

# Moreno, Miguel Angel

Director of International & Government Programs
The Leadership Institute
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Business Specialty: The
Leadership Institute was
founded in 1979 by its
president, Morton C.
Blackwell. They provide



training in campaigns, fundraising, grassroots organizing, youth politics, and communications. The Institute teaches conservatives of all ages how to succeed in politics, government, and the media. Miguel is the Director of International and Government Programs at "The Leadership Institute". He is responsible for recruiting, training, and working with top-level government officials from around the world, as well as business executives and heads of international conservative organizations. Miguel has fifteen years of experience organizing and speaking at several international seminars. He has been responsible for running large corporations in the spheres of education, banking, social insurances, housing and health services.

Associations: Regent University Society
Honors: Global Leadership Award, UK, 2012;
Employee of the Quarter, 2012; Honorary
Doctorate from the University of El Guairá in
Paraguay and a 2nd Doctorate from OIICE at
the University of Tlaxala in Mexico
Education: MBA, Master of Public Policy and
Government; B.S. in Military and Naval
Science; B.S. in Education; Candidate for Ph.D.

**Higher Education** 

**Family:** Married with four children: Anna Isabel, Miguel Angel, Grace Alexis and Sarah Caroline

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#### Navarro, Mavel

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for the automobile claims processing industry. We are expanding beyond our global-leading position in collision repair and U.S. based mechanical repair presence to bring data driven productivity and decision support solutions to other aspects of vehicle ownership such as vehicle validation, glass repair, driver violation monitoring, vehicle salvage and electronic titling. We are also taking our core competencies of data, software and connectivity from the auto to the home. They serve over 165,000 customers in more than 70 countries across six continents. Our customers include more than 4,000 automobile insurance companies, 60,500 collision repair facilities, 12,500 independent assessors, 44,500 service, maintenance and repair facilities and 43,500 automotive recyclers, auto dealers and others. We derive revenues from many of the world's largest automobile insurance companies, including the ten largest automobile insurance companies in Europe and eight of the ten largest automobile insurance companies in North America. Mavel joined the Solera team in October, 2014. She has been with Tetra Pak Inc. and held the position of Vice President and General Counsel. She was a member of the leadership team providing strategic oversight for the North American region and had overall accountability for all the legal matters of the

Tetra Pak Group companies throughout the United States, Canada and Mexico. Prior to joining Tetra Pak, Mavel served in various roles with Shell Oil Company. During her tenure at Shell, she was lead counsel for real estate matters, oversaw labor and employment issues, served as lead counsel to the Solvents business within Shell Chemical LP, became the Head of Legal for Central America and served as senior legal counsel for Shell Lubrica.nts in the United States. Her secrets to success has been hard work, high expectations and an understanding of her own limitations in order to mitigate them and achieve even greater success because of them. Associations: American Corporate Council, Texas Bar Association, Florida Bar Association, and Washington D.C. Bar Association, among other affiliations. Her hobbies include reading and acrylic and oil painting.

Honors: Selected to be recognized in a future edition of Hispanic Executive Magazine; Featured in Madison Who's Who Registry of Executives and Professionals and honored as Strathmore's Who's Who Professional of the Year 2007 in International Commercial Law Education: Bachelor Degree, University of Rochester; Law Degree, Tulane University Family: Son: Anthony A. Castro Navarro

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### Nunez, Angelina C.

Religious Sales
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Business Specialty:
Sacramento is
California's capital city
and has been branding
itself as America's

Multicultural and



Farm-to-Fork Capital. No other major city in America is more centrally located amid such a diverse range of high-quality farms, ranches and vineyards. Award-winning chefs and restaurants provide the perfect complement. The State Capitol and the surrounding Capitol Park are alive with California's colorful political past and historic achievements. There are many visitor attractions in Sacramento including the Old Sacramento Historic Area, the California State Railroad Museum and the Crocker Art Museum which is the oldest public art museum west of the Mississippi. In the surrounding area you'll find 200 wineries in the Sierra Nevada Foothills, small Western towns in the Gold Country, outdoor recreation on the Sacramento and American Rivers and worldclass ski resorts a two hour drive away near Lake Tahoe. Angelina C. Nunez is Sacramento CVB's Convention Sales Manager working with faith-based organizations. She has been with the CVB since 2013 and started her hospitality industry career at the Crown Plaza Hotel in San Jose. She was promoted to Convention Services Manager, then to Director of Convention Services and finally to Hotel Sales Manager. Her secret to success has been her strong passion for working with people.

Associations: Religious Conference

Management Association and the Sacramento Hotel Association and is an active community volunteer.

Honors: Ms. Nunez has been recognized numerous times in her hotel career: in the 2010 Million Dollar Club, Employee of the Month in 2001, Manager of the Quarter in 2003 and was recognized by the California National Guard in 2005, and by the Religious Conference Management Association (RCMA). Education: Hospitality and Sales Training Family: Married to Charlie Flores with three children, Janae, Vince and Aidan

#### Orozco, Carlos R.

#### M.D.

Pulmonary & Sleep Physician Madison Park Pulmonary & Sleep Clinic 415 Camden San Antonio, TX 78215 **Business Specialty:** Dr.



Orozco specializes

pulmonary and sleep medicine. He is board-certified by the American Board of Internal Medicine with a subspecialty certification in Pulmonary Diseases, and is board eligible in Sleep Medicine. Dr. Orozco is currently the Medical Director of Respiratory Care at Nix Memorial Hospital and the Medical Director of Pulmonary Rehab for Total Therapeutics, Inc.

Associations: Fellow of the American College of Chest Physicians; Mexican-American Hispanic Physician Association (MAPHA); Hobbies include walking and exercising Honors: Recognized with honors and awards by the San Antonio Business Journal; Outstanding Physician, 2003

Education: Medical Degree from the University of Texas Medical School at Galveston; residency in Internal Medicine at Tulane University's Charity Hospital in New Orleans, LA; fellowship in Pulmonary Medicine at the University of Texas Medical School at San Antonio

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### Ortiz Lopez, Gervasio

Administrative Service Manager

Department of Justice *Business Specialty:* Mr. Ortiz has been with the Department of Justice since 1997. He started as an Administrative Service Assistant and worked his way up to Administrative Services Manager. While in the military, he started out



as a Private E1 and is a Colonel with the National Guard, presently on the General Officers Board this October. Mr. Ortiz's secret to success has been his commitment, motivation and the fact that he surrounds himself with good people.

Associations: Member of many Military and

**Honors:** Bronze Star Medal; Defense

**Civilian Organzations** 

Meritorious Service Medal: Meritorious Service Medal with 2 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters; Army Commendation Medal; Army Achievement Medal: Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal; Humanitarian Service Medal with Numeral 2; Combat Action Badge Joint Meritorious Unit Award with 2 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters; PR Service Medal; PR Exemplary Conduct Medal; PR Freedom Medal; and Foreign Awards: Foreign Awards; Romanian Medal of Honor and Inter-American Defense College Crest **Education:** Bachelor Degree, Social Science, majoring in Economics; Masters Degree, Business Administration, Central Michigan University; Post Graduate Degree, Hemisperhic Security and Defense, Inter-American Defense College in Washington, DC; Currently pursuing a Doctorate in Education from North Central University in Arizona

*Family:* Married to Ligia Margarita Guevara with one son, Jerry Jose Ortiz Guevara

#### Patińo, Ralph G.

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Patińo founded Patino
and Associates in 1992.
He is a nationally
recognized trial lawyer



with concentration in products liability, automotive negligence, premises liability, police misconduct and banking fraud. He is currently working with six attorneys and a support staff of twenty. His secret to success is his compassion.

Associations: American Board of Trial Lawyers; American Bar Association; Florida Bar Association; Dade County Bar; Florida Justice Association; Co-chair Gusman Theatre of Performing Arts

Honors: Recognized in the Martindale-Hubbell Bar Register of Preeminent Lawyers with an AV Rating; Recipient of the 2001 Steven J. Sharp Public Service Award for contribution to a safer, more just America by investigating and gathering evidence pertaining to tire belt separation and vehicle rollovers in Firestone Tire and Ford Explorer cases

**Education**: J.D., University of St. Thomas, Villanova Law School; BBA, International Finance and Marketing, University of Miami **Family:** Married to Elizabeth with children Ralph, Jr. and Alison

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#### Perez, Diana

Deputy Monument
Manager
Mount St. Helens
National Volcanic
Monument on Gifford
Pinchot National Forest
Vancouver, WA 98683
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#### **Business Specialty:**

The Forest Service, part of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, is a multi-faceted agency that protects and managed 154 national forests and grasslands in 44 states and Puerto Rico and is the world's largest forestry research organization. Their experts provide technical and financial help to state and local government agencies, businesses, private landowners to help protect and manage non-federal forest and associated range and watershed lands. They develop partnerships with many public and private agencies to augment their work planting trees, improving trails, providing education on conservation and fire prevention, and improve conditions in wildland/urban interfaces and rural areas. Their team also promotes sustainable forest management and biodiversity conservation internationally. The mission of the Forest Service is to sustain the health, diversity, and productivity of the nation's forests and grasslands to meet the needs of present and future generations. Diana's role with Gifford Pinchot National Forest is a Deputy Monument Manager. In the past, she worked as a fisheries biologist, a fisheries program manager, a deputy district ranger, acting district ranger, acting staff officer, acting public affairs officer and deputy monument manager for USDA Forest Service in Washington, Alaska, and Oregon.

Associations: President of Southwest

Washington League of United Latin American Citizens Council 47013; Member of Washington Advisory Committee to U.S. Commission on Civil Rights.

*Honors:* Played with University of Texas at El Paso Symphony. Diana went to School on a music scholarship. She also received many other awards and recognitions, some of which are:

- -Presidential Award from League of United Latin American Citizens (LULAC) (2014)
- "Distinguished Women of the Year" Award Nominee from Washington State University Vancouver (2013)
- Upstream Award by Hope Heart Institute (2012)
- Career Panelist for Region 6 Pacific Northwest Region Forest Service Orientraining (2011-2014)

**Education:** B.S. in Wildlife Management from Texas Tech; M.S. in Fisheries Science from Oregon State University.

Family: Mother of 2 children.

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#### Pérez, Jr., José Rafael

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Business Specialty:

Foster, LLC is a preeminent, global immigration law firm providing comprehensive



solutions for businesses, families and individuals. Renowned for responsive, personalized service, the firm works on behalf of the largest corporations worldwide, as well as top emerging and midmarket companies. Founded in 1973 by Charles Foster in Houston, Texas, Foster has been a trusted leader in U.S. and international immigration law for over 40 years. Through decades of leadership, Foster has received innumerable recognitions for its strategic work. Today, Foster is the largest minority-owned immigration law firm in the U.S. and has the most board-certified attorneys in immigration and nationality law in Texas.

Mr. Pérez immigrated to the United States from Cuba, with his family, at the age of ten. Immigration has been and will continue to be an issue that he holds very close to his heart. Over the past twenty-seven years he has practiced exclusively United States Immigration and Nationality Law. Mr. Pérez is well respected within the legal community and is continually on the forefront of immigration issues within the United States. His secret to success has been purpose, passion and a supportive wife.

**Associations:** He is Board Certified in Immigration and Nationality Law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization since 1993. He is actively involved with immigration issues relating to health care professionals, employment & family based immigration and consular issues. He is also a frequent speaker on immigration and consular matters at the National Immigration Lawyers' Conference, Foreign Student Advisors' Conferences and healthcare associations. Additionally, he is the co-host of the weekly radio show "Coming to America" on Pacifica Radio 90.1 Honors: Who's Who in American Law; Texas Monthly "Super Lawyer," 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014; The Best Lawyers in America in the field of immigration law, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015

2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015

Education: B.A. and M.A. in History from St.
Mary's University, San Antonio, TX; J.D. from
Texas Southern University, Houston, TX

Family: Married to: Joan A. Terp-Pérez,
Children: Alexander and Gabriella

#### Pesante, Ivan

President/Founder Heads Up Fire Sprinkler, Inc. 96-21 69th Ave. Forest Hills, NY 11375



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Business Specialty: Company specializing in design, installation, maintenance an testing of fire sprinkler and standpipe systems. Formed in January 1990, Head Up Fire Sprinkler, Inc. is an independent, employer-owned fire sprinkler company serving the tri-state area. They are proud of the growth and recognition they have achieved. The performance on behalf of their clients, which includes more than 300 companies, forms the basis of their reputation for service, meeting the set deadlines, dependability, and the satisfactory results of our installations and repair work in the fire protection industry. Mr. Pesante is the President and Founder of Heads Up for twenty two years and has been in the industry for twenty nine years.

Associations: Vice President of the NY Fire Sprinklers Contractors Association (NYFSCA), and the only Latino in the NY FSCA; Contributor to the Forest Hills Youth Association; Member of the Queens Hispanic Chamber of Commerce; National Fire Protection Asociation (NFPA); National Fire Sprinkler Association, Inc. (NFSA); Speaker at local junior high and elementary school career days

Education: Certificate in Architectural Drafting; Trained extensively in hydraulics, designing and regularly attends seminars and classes to keep current in his field; Served in the USMC 1975-79, Corporal, MOS 0311 Infantry Squad Leader

**Family:** Served on a NATO Cruise, aboard the USS Guadalcanal at the end of the Vietnam War; Rifle & Pistol Expert

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#### Pesqueira, Jr., Ralph R.

Owner and President
El Indio Mexican
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3695 India Street
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www.el-indio.com
Business Specialty: El
Indio Mexican
Restaurant was founded

by Ralph Pesqueira, Sr.



in 1940 and the restaurant has been at its current location since 1947. After the death of his father, Ralph, Jr. took over the restaurant in 1981. They are open seven days a week from 8am to 9pm, and are closed only for four major holidays. The restaurant provides counter service, also offers two patios, and are famous for their high quality Mexican food. Many of the recipes were introduced and perfected by Mr. Pesqueira's parents. His greatest accomplishment has been in his effort to get universities to recognize the lack of preparation for education in children, grades K-12.

Associations: California Restaurant
Association; Board of Directors for the
Chamber of Commerce; Board of the Tavern
and Restaurant Association; Board of the
Tourist Association; Trustee, California State
Universities, sixteen years; Commissioner,
California Secondary Commission, seven
years; San Diego Planning Commission, eight
years

Honors: El Indio Mexican Restaurant was featured on Food Network; Sigma Chi Fraternity Honor for activities accomplished in the State of California, a significant SIG award; Three time winner of the Gold Medallion from the California Restaurant Association, San Diego Chapter

**Education:** Bachelor Degree, San Diego State University; Graduate work at Abilene

University of Texas

**Family:** Married to: Eva, Children: Melinda Baugh, Becky Hatt, and Jennifer Pesqueira, seven grandchildren

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# Ponce de Leon-Hale, Rose A. Ph.D.

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For the last twenty-

five years Dr. Ponce de Leon-Hale has worked in the field of family dynamics. She has worked as an educational professional, counselor and now serves as the Executive Director for the Guardianship Assistance Desk for Minors. She was appointed to this position by the Honorable Timothy C. Evans, Chief Judge of the Circuit Court of Cook County. In this capacity, Dr. Ponce de Leon-Hale works with the grandparents and/or other family members seeking legal custody of a child. She understands the trials and tribulations these families members go through. Her goal is to assist these family members who are presented with the challenges of acquiring legal custody of their children in a legal setting. In addition to servicing these grandparents with legal resources, the Guardianship program tries to provide valuable resources that will assist these families as they raise their children while in the absence of a biological parent or adopted parent. The goal at the Guardianship Assistance Desk for Minors is to assist with the entire processes of the guardianship petition and to provide resources and referrals that may assist the caregiver while caring for a child. Dr. Ponce de Leon-Hale's secret to success has been in having a supportive family.

**Associations:** Executive Board member of the Chicago Hispanic Vocational Education

Council; Spanish Coalition for Jobs; Executive Committee Member for the Chicago Cable Corporation; Served on the Board for the Museum of Science and Industry Hispanic Arts Council; American Psychological Association

Honors: Superior Public Service Award Education: Bachelor Degree, Music Therapy, minor in Opera, DePaul University; Masters Degree, Counseling/Psychology, Northeastern University; Ph.D., North Adler/Cappella

*Family:* Married to Dr. Ronald K. Hale with three daughters

### Quintana, Humberto

#### M.D.

Psychiatrist Humberto Quintana, M.D., "Children" can "Change" 26205 Oak Ridge Dr., Ste. 100 The Woodlands, TX 77380



#### **Business Specialty:** Dr.

Quintana's specialty is child and adolescent psychiatry. He has been in the medical field for over twenty-five years, and taught Residents for ten years. He was a Clinic and Research Fellow for child and adolescents at Columbia University, and he has fifty publications to his credit, regarding child and adolescent psychiatry. He was recognized in 1986 and 1987 for his critical work in the area of Autism. Dr. Quintana's secret to success is being able to have multiple opportunities while training in Colombia. **Associations:** Fellow, American Psychiatric

**Associations:** Fellow, American Psychiatric Association, American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry

**Honors:** Covington Award Top Doctors, 2013-2014; Catcher on the Rye; and received numerous other awards

**Education:** Undergraduate Degree, and Medical Degree, New York Downstate Medical Center; Four year Residency at Kings County Hospital; Three year Public Health Service as a Regional Director

*Family:* Married to Josefina with two daughters

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#### Quintanilla Quiroga, Dora

Artist & Event Services Manager

Jacob's Pillow Dance 358 George Carter Rd. Becket, MA 01223 www.jacobspillow.org Business Specialty: Dora Quintanilla, originally from Monterrey, México, received her degree in México as a



Contemporary Dancer from La Escuela Superior de Música y Danza de Monterrey part of the Instituto Nacional de Bellas Artes. Her studies and career as a dancer informed her understanding on how to handle the production and managing of dance companies. She has collaborated as a performer, stage manager, production/tour manager and assistant to Artistic Directors with different national and international artists in multidisciplinary projects in her hometown of Monterrey and in Mexico City. She has toured numerously throughout México, United States, Spain, Morocco, Venezuela, China, and Egypt. As Artist and Event Services Manager at Jacob's Pillow Dance Festival since 2009, Ms. Quintanilla's work focuses on arranging all artistic and administrative logistics including transportation, accommodations, and the many other facets of this 10-week dance festival. Jacob's Pillow Dance is lauded worldwide as a "hub and mecca of dancing" (TIME Magazine), "one of America's most precious cultural assets" (Mikhail Baryshnikov), and "the dance center of the nation" (The New York Times). Celebrating its 81st Anniversary Season, "The Pillow" is a 220-acre National Historic Landmark located in Western Massachusetts, home to America's longest-running dance festival, presenting

more than 300 free and ticketed talks, events, exhibits, tours, and performances each year, including more than 50 dance companies from around the world.

Honors: Received the 2004 Performer Stimulus Grant (Dance) from the Nuevo León Council for Culture and Arts; received the 2007 Creative Stimulus Grant (Multidisciplinary) from the Nuevo León Council for Culture and Arts.

Education: Received her degree in México as a Contemporary Dancer from La Escuela Superior de Música y Danza de Monterrey part of the Instituto Nacional de Bellas Artes Family: All her family still lives in Monterrey, México

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### Ramírez, Margaret María

Marcos Ramírez, and Francisco Antonio Ramírez

Foreign Language
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Business Specialty:
Pace High School,
located in Santa Rosa
County, was established
in 1972 and now has



over 1800 students. Academics and student achievement are the main focus at the school. Sports, band, drama, clubs, and honor societies are some of the extracurricular activities students can use to round out their high school experience. Pace High School is actively involved in school-based decision making and has utilized teacher committees to determine and implement decisions that affect the overall school program. Margaret María Ramírez has been with Pace High School for twenty-seven years and is the Foreign Language Department Head. She also teaches Spanish at night at Pensacola State College and is a Florida Virtual School Spanish Teacher. She currently teaches Spanish 2, 3 and 4, and her secret to success has been her great passion for education.

Associations: Nativity of Our Lord Catholic Church, and current President, Northwest Florida Foreign Language Teachers Association for the third time.

**Honors:** 2010 Swim Coach of the Year for two counties; Coach of the Month; Recognized as a Soccer Coach

Education: B.A., Spanish Education,
University of West Florida; M.Ed. Secondary
Education, emphasis on Curriculum and
Reading, Grand Canyon University

*Family:* Married to Jesus Marío Ramírez, with children: Stephanie Maria Isaacs, Esteban

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# Randall, Domonique Y. Ph.D., BCBA-D

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treatment by shaping small successes to improve the quality of life for all individuals, as well as to conduct research that will help support and advance the field of Applied Behavior Analysis. The company was founded in 2000 by Dr. Randall and is currently operating in Texas with 14 locations statewide, California, South Carolina and Oregon. Dr. Randall's secret to success is attributed to her mother and perseverance. Dr. Randall is a woman who feels a strong calling to help special needs children and their families. She has dedicated nearly 2 decades to the industry and through The Shape of Behavior, provides advanced behavior analytic consulting and services to families, businesses, child-care, schools, and other organizations.

Associations: Association for Behavior Analysis, 1998 - present; Texas Association for Behavior Analysis, 1997-present; American Psychological Association, 2004-present; Steering Committee Member, Texas Association for Behavior Analysis, Special Interest Group Autism, 2003-present; Professional issues Committee for Texas Association of Behavior Analysis, 2014.

Honors: Featured in "Faith and Family", April Edition; recognized expert in Applied

Behavior Analysis (ABA), Dr. Randall is often called upon to do presentations and has worked with many educators and school districts throughout Texas; she has been recognized by the Small Business Association & SCORE in which she was awarded Woman in Business Champion of the Year *Education:* Ph.D., Educational Psychology, Capella University; ABA, Applied Behavior

Education: Ph.D., Educational Psychology, Capella University; ABA, Applied Behavior Analysis & Health & Behavioral Intervention; Masters, Behavioral Analysis, University of North Texas; Bachelors, Psychology, Bob Jones University; Certified Christian Counselor

*Family:* Married to Mark with four children: Nicholas, Lauren, Emily and Holden

### Richards, Genroy Alejandro

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Richards Accounting and Financial Services (RAFS) is an accounting and financial firm that



offers accounting services, tax services and consulting services. Focusing on areas of church accounting, school and daycare accounting, housing accounting and accounting for other non-profit or for-profit organizations. The company is committed to providing quality professional service to their clients. Genroy Richards founded the company in 2005. His secret to success is in loving what he does.

Associations: American Institute of Certified Public Accountants; New York State Society of Certified Public Accountants Queens

Brooklyn Chapter

Education: Bachelor of Science Degree, Accounting, Hunter College; Master of Science Degree, Administration, Central Michigan University; Certified Public Accountant licensed to practice in New York

**Family:** Married with four children

### Rocha-Goldberg, Pilar

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Centro Hispano (ECH) is
a 501(c)3 grassroots
community based
organization dedicated
to strengthening the



Latino community and improving the quality of life of Latino residents in Durham, Carrboro, Chapel Hill and surrounding areas. Their strategic priorities are to secure the organization's current sources of income as well as bring in new sources that will both grow and diversify funding sources, and to balance ECH's 3-part model for change: service, education and community organizing. They also plan to develop the capacity of the ECH team, including staff and board and develop the leadership skills of Latinos. Mrs. Rocha-Goldberg has been the President/CEO of the agency for the past five years and is taking it to new heights. She is very passionate about what she does and says "work hard and you will make it happen." **Associations:** Board of Lincoln Community Health Center Foundation, Board Member of the National Council of La Raza

**Honors:** Woman of the Year, 2011-2012 from the National Association of Professional

Women; Goodman Award, 2012

Education: Degree, Pontificia Universidad

**Javeriana** 

Family: Married to Dr. Ronald Goldberg, with

five children

#### Rodriguez, Carmen T.

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largest personal injury firms. Mr. Rodriguez is an Attorney with the firm and her areas of practice are Complex Litigation, Mass Torts and 9/11 related illness. She is admitted to practice in the State of New York, U.S. District Court Southern District of New York, and U.S. District Court Eastern District of New York. Associations: Past President and Past Director of Cultural Affairs of the Hispanic Law Student Association; Phi Alpha Delta, Past President (Pre Law Chapter); Criminal Law Association; Past President and Past Vice President of the St. Thomas Moore Pre Legal Society

Honors: CALI Excellence for the Future Award, Discovery and Technology, 2009; Pro Bono Commitment to Community Award; Legal Opportunity Scholarship for Law School Education: J.D., University of Dayton School of Law, Dayton, Ohio, 2011; B.A., Seton Hall University, South Orange, NJ, cum laude, Dean's List all semesters, 2005

#### Rodriguez, David

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law and tax law for all types of entities, including limited liability companies, corporations, and various forms of partnerships. He has been a partner with the firm since May 1, 2005 and is Avvo Rated. David currently acts as outside general counsel to a number of technology companies and other growing companies throughout Texas. In addition, David helps clients with various controversy issues before the internal revenue service. His secret to success has been his drive to succeed.

Associations: Elected to the Board of Directors for the Greater Austin Chamber of Commerce; State Bar of Texas; Member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, Austin Bar Association, Austin International Business Group, Austin Technology Council, Texas Exes, University of Texas Longhorn Foundation, The Chief Legal Officer, The University of Texas Club; coaches baseball for the Oak Hill Youth Sports Association; volunteers with meals on wheels and at the Ronald McDonald House

Honors: AVVO Rated

**Education:** Bachelor of Business

Administration from the University of Texas at Austin; Doctor of Jurisprudence from the

University of Texas at Austin *Family:* Married with three sons

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### Rodriguez, James G.

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attorneys have over thirty-five years of combined experience representing individuals who have been seriously injured and families of individuals who have been killed because of someone else's negligence. They are available for in-home or in-hospital consultation for those who have been catastrophically injured. All clients deal directly with an attorney instead of a legal assistant. Mr. Rodriguez has been an attorney for seventeen years and is currently partnered with Mr. Padilla and employs two associates. He is fluent in Spanish and has worked in a number of capacities advocating for immigrants' rights. His secret to success has been having good parental support and also good mentors.

Associations: Currently on the advisory board of the Hispanic Association (Houston) and their Past Vice President; Board of Directors of the Fe y Justicia Worker Center; Texas Trial Lawyers Association; Houston Trial Lawyers Association; American Association of Justice; Past President of the Mexican American Bar Association; Past President of the League of Latin American Citizens Council 30

**Honors:** National Trial Lawyers Top 100 Trial

Lawyers, 2013

**Education:** Bachelor of Arts degree, Political Science, Texas A&M University; Graduated

from the University of Houston Law Center *Family:* Married to Marbella with one daughter, Elvira

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### Rodriguez, Marilu

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partnership with her husband, Christian M. Bauer. Prior to starting the firm, she spent more than a decade in legal practice. Her work experience includes practice in privale law firms and as in-house corproate counsel. RB Legal Counsel offers entrepreneurs and businesses a one-stop shop for their legal needs. Through their services they help clients to develop their values, manage risk, and make smart and appropriate choices as they get established and grow. RB Legal Counsel provides the services in English and/or Spanish. The firm's practice areas include business law, corporate and intellectual property. Marilu's secret to success has been her ability to take the practical approach to solving their clients' needs.

Associations: Board of Directors for the Berks County Latino Chamber of Commerce, Board of Directors for the Greater Reading Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Member of American Intellectual Property Law Association (AIPLA), and the Berks County Bar Association

**Honors:** Featured in the Reading Eagle Newspaper and Berks County Living Magazine

**Education:** Bachelor Degree, Business, University of Puerto Rico; Juris Doctorate, Pontifica Universidad Catõlica de Puerto Rico School of Law; Master Degree (LLM), Intellectual Property, University of New Hampshire

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# Saldanha, Margareth A. M.D.

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Neurology and Sleep Institute, provides medical services in Neurology, which is a specialized field of medicine, that includes the diagnosis and treatment of diseases of the brain, spine, and nervous system. Treatments vary by disease or disorder, and Dr. Saldanha has extensive experience in the diagnosis and treatment of neurological disorders with a specialized focus on Sleep Medicine. She is dual Board Certified in Neurology and Board Certified in Sleep Medicine by the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology. Dr. Saldanha chose the field of neurology because it is one of the few fields of medicine where the exam itself will help you localize the problem. Her field of special interests are migraine headaches, dementia, and sleep medicine. Dr. Saldanha enjoys the challenges of neurology and respectfully recognizes the brain and nervous system are what bring everything together in the human body. She strives to educate patients and their families to help them understand a neurological diagnosis does not necessarily mean their quality of life has to be poor, or that their lives will end. Dr. Saldanha has dedicated her practice to providing compassionate, affordable, and loving care to patients. Associations: Diplomate of the American

Board of Psychiatry and Neurology; American

Academy of Neurology (AAN); American Academy of Sleep Medicine (AASM); American Headache Society; American Medical Association (AMA); Florida Medical Association; Miami-Dade County Medical Association; Hobbies include yoga and reading

Education: M.D., University of Miami-School of Medicine; Completed her residency in neurology, University of Miami-School of Medicine; One year fellowship in sleep medicine at Jackson Memorial Hospital

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#### Sanchez, Flora

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Business Specialty: Many of her colleagues know her for her drive, go getter spirit, good heart, and her belief in paying it forward for the better good and great reputation. She always believes in using her experience and knowledge to empower others to be successful. This is one of the reasons why she has been able to create strong and loyal relationships with past, present and possible future clients.

She has over 20 years of customer service in the health care industry from medical billing & collections to managerial responsibilities. She also has over 7 years of marketing and sales experience as a small business owner herself and other businesses that she currently has as clients. With this being said, Employee Care has recruited her to be their marketing director so she can add her marketing expertise. At the same time, she can grow Employee Care to become successful and top notch within its industry.

Flora obtained her Bachelors in Business Management and 2nd Degree in International Business from Florida Internal University in Miami, FL. She is happily married and has two beautiful children which keep her grounded and appreciative about the little things in life. She believes that there should be a balance between your personal and professional life. With this being said, the pay it forward concept should include being involved either in a not for profit organization, become a philanthropist or become a community activist in something you strongly believe in.

Flora Sanchez has served in the Board of Directors for the Harry Chapin Food Bank of SW FL. She's currently a part of the allocation committee for the United Way of Lee County and Harry Chapin Food Bank of SW FL Marketing and Allocation Committee. She's also very active in helping not for profits, community activist or philanthropist for the ones in need of her true talent.

### Suarez, Ralph Edward

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nationally by Realtor Magazine. Mr. Suarez has been in Real Estate for over 18 years and is one of the highest ranked realtors in the Los Angeles area. His territory is Los Angeles in general, with a focus on the La Canada, Pasadena, Glendale, and Los Feliz areas. His secret to success is his availability and in treating clients as if they have their own concierge. His grandfather's advice which always guided him was "If you work hard, be honest and up front with clients, you'll have return business".

Associations: National Association of Hispanic Real Estate Professionals Honors: Completed 150 Real Estate Transactions in 2010 and 135 in 2011; earned the Wall Street Journal and Real Trends #227 ranking nationwide Education: Licensed in Real Estate for

California

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#### Solis, Helmuth

Partner/Shareholder DeFabio, Beckham and Solis 2420 Coral Way Miami, FL 33145 www.dbsmiami.com *Business Specialty*: At DeFabio, Beckham & Solis, we are an experienced and



highly successful criminal defense firm that strives to protect the rights of clients throughout Miami-Dade County. We focus our representation on criminal defense cases in Miami and do whatever it takes to obtain the best results for these clients. Our criminal defense litigation covers many different types of offenses, from domestic violence to airport crimes. With nearly 50 years of combined experience providing assistance to clients with their criminal charges, we offer confident representation. Our three partners at the firm work together and discuss each client's case during all stages of representation. Using this approach, we are able to see each situation from various perspectives in order in provide you with the most comprehensive counsel possible. Helmuth was born and raised in Miami, Florida where he has lived all of his life. After law school, Helmuth began his career in Criminal Law as an Assistant State Attorney at the Miami-Dade State Attorney's Office. AS a DUI Prosecutor, Helmuth quickly rose to the position of DUI training attorney, where he trained other attorneys on the law relating to DUI. Now as a defense attorney, Helmuth uses his talent and knowledge to thoroughly defend those accused of DUI. Along with his law partner, Justin K. Beckman, Helmuth's hard work and DUI knowledge accounted for over 50 DUI dismissals during the calendar

year of 2010. He strives to be up to date on all new case law and issues relating to intoxilyzers, field sobriety exercises and unconstitutional stops.

Associations: Florida Bar, American Bar Association, Cuban American Bar Association, Florida Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers (FACDL)

**Honors:** In 2010, Super Lawyers Magazine named Helmuth a "Rising Star" in the practice area of DUI Defense; AVVO + Rating, Martindale Hubbell Rating

Education: Bachelor of Arts, Florida
International University, with honors; J.D.,
University of Miami, with honors; Attends
various seminars and workshops pertaining
to DUI defense throughout the nation and
state

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#### Soto Wiley, Lucero

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Business Specialty:
Originally from Mexico
City, Lucero is fluent in



English and Spanish and holds various academic degrees across a number of disciplines. She has experience in public service and corporate management and joined the financial industry in 2011, when she started her career with Merrill Lynch. She currently works with a wealth management team at Morgan Stanley, where she assists clients in every aspect of their financial lives. As a member of the board of directors of the Hampton Roads Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, Vice Chair of the Democratic Latino Organization of Virginia and her recent appointment by Governor Terry McAuiliffe as member of the Virginia Latino Advisory Board, she prioritizes helping the community and the people around her. Her biggest source of personal satisfaction comes from volunteering, which was evidenced by her being awarded the Presidential Volunteer Service Award for 2013 and the Global Diversity and Inclusion Award of Bank of America Merrill Lynch, among other recognitions. Lucero also represented the Chamber in the United States Hispanic Chamber of Commerce Legislative Summit 2013 and 2014 where she had the opportunity to advocate for the Hispanic Community and lobby in Capitol Hill for Education and Immigration Reform. Lucero has a Masters in Banking and Finance from University Pompeu Fabra in Barcelona, Spain,

specializing in Risk Management for Financial Institutions. She also has a Masters of **Business Administration from Monterrey** Institute of Technology and Higher Education (ITESM) in Mexico City, where she was nominated for the Independent MBA Student of the Year Award 2010 and represented EGADE Business School at the Mexico Business Summit 2009. She has a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from Mexico Autonomous Institute of Technology (ITAM) where she was nominated for president of the student body and became involved with the institute and the community. She also studied a Bachelor in Economics at ITAM, is certified in Strategic Planning and Project Management by University of San Diego and ITESM and holds two certificates from University of Notre Dame Mendoza College of Business: Nonprofit Lobbying and Advocacy and Media Relations and Communication Skills.

*Family:* Lucero is the daughter of Luz Enriqueta Wiley Cota and Raul Soto Betancourt

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#### Tirado, Mónica

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an international clientele providing highly qualified counseling. PSPA has represented internationally known Italian individuals and entities, as well as the Italian Consulate in Miami. PSPA was founded specifically to assist Latin American and European clients in investing in the United States and American clients interested in the Latin American and European market. PSPA assists its clients in all their needs, starting from the study and the implementation of the most efficient US and/or international corporate structure needed to invest in the United States, each structure bespoken specifically for each individual case, with particular attention to tax and estate planning. Other areas of expertise covers immigration, real estate, intellectual property, and entertainment law. Monica Tirado has been working at PSPA since 2005. She was born in Bogota, Colombia and is fluent in English, Spanish and conversational Italian. She worked as a lawyer in a prestigious law firm in Colombia in which she practiced conciliation in civil subjects and alternative dispute resolutions. Monica Tirado was speaker on a seminar "Investments in the United States" in her home country in 2011, and has been coauthor of several publications namely "IUS GENTIUM" on real estate investments, immigration and tax matters, among others.

Her secret to success has been her love for the profession, dedication and her ability to overcome any adversity.

Associations: Member of the Colombian Bar, currently active member of the Colombian and Italy-American Chamber of Commerce. **Honors:** PSPA has been recognized by the Italian Chamber of Commerce for its Excellence and Leadership in Law on April 8, 2011.

Education: In 2002, Monica Tirado, received her Juris Doctor Degree and Political Sciences in Colombia. On May 2014 received her second Juris Doctor Degree in Florida and is currently in process to be admitted by the Florida Bar.

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#### Tormos, Lee Marie

#### M.D.

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Forensic Pathologist at the Institute of Forensic Sciences.

**Associations:** National Association of Medical Examiners (NAME); AABB; Inducted as a fellow of the College of American Pathologists in 2009; Part of the MUSC Diversity and Ethnics Relations Committee; MUSC Graduate Medical Education Diversity Education Committee; NAME Ad-Hoc Organ and Tissue Committee: NAME Ad-Hoc International Relations Committee; Heads the Departmental Diversity Committee and **Community Relations Committee** *Honors:* Co-Author of a paper awarded First Prize in the Regional Clinical Vignette Competition from the American College of Physicians; She also has several publications in her field of Forensic Pathology; Awarded

Education: Bachelor's Degree, General Sciences, University of Puerto Rico, Rio Piedras Campus; Doctorate in Medicine, University of Puerto Rico-School of Medicine; Internship and Residency, Department of Pathology and Clinical Laboratory Medicine, University of Puerto Rico-School of Medicine; Forensic Pathology Fellowship, Medical University of South Carolina-Pathology and Laboratory Medicine; Permanent Medical License, South Carolina 2010

First Prize in ACP Regional Clinical Vignette

Competition

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#### Torres, Griselda

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Injury, Bankruptcy Law, Auto and Traffic Accidents, Slip and Fall Accidents and Wrongful Death. Ms. Torres, is admitted to the California State Bar and the United States District Court, Eastern District Bar. She is fluent in Spanish.

Associations: Central California Bankruptcy
Association, La Raza Lawyers Association of
Fresno, Consumer Attorneys of California,
Fresno County Women Lawyers Association
Honors: Phi Kappa Phi National Honor
Society; Top Lawyers in California, American
Lawyer Media, 2013; Clients Choice; AVVO
Superb Rating 2012 and 2013
Education: Juris Doctorate, San Joaquin
College of Law; Undergraduate degree in
Criminology, California State University,
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#### Torres, Jr., Paul D.

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**Business Specialty:** W. David Bayless Inc. is an independent insurance agency serving all

of North Texas with our primary focus on Collin, Dallas, Denton, Fannin, and Grayson counties including the cities of Bonham, Dallas, Denison, Denton, Frisco, McKinney, Plano, Richardson, and Sherman. The mission of our agency is to provide the insurance protection our clients need by offering quality products, excellent service, and guaranteed value. We are committed to finding the best insurance solutions for you, your family, and your business. As an independent agency, we represent multiple insurance companies. We are able to compare coverage and prices in order to offer our customers the greatest value possible. In addition, we combine years of experience with cutting edge products to provide exceptional service to all of our policyholders. Paul has been with Bayless-Hall for 2 years and had been with MetLife for 9 years. His secret to success has been enjoying people and his profession.

Associations: Past Board Member of Big Brothers Big Sisters; Chamber of Commerce; National Association of Insurance and Financial Advisors; Texas Women's University Leadership Board

Honors: Winner of the International Management Award from GAMA; 4 time winner of Gamma National Management Award; 2008 Good Business Practice Award from MetLife; 2010 Gamma International Platinum Management Award

**Education:** Accounting Degree from the University of Southern Mississippi;

Management Degree from the Disney School of Management

**Family:** Married to: Clanci, Children: Harrison and Paul



#### Trucker, Lucrecia Laura

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**Business Specialty:** The Center for the Arts Ballet School is unique because it places emphasis on technique

not on large dance recitals. Manners and etiquette is incorporated into every class. With the benefit of 48 years of teaching experience, many of the students achieve professional dance status with national and international dance companies such as the NY City Ballet, Miami Ballet, Orlando Ballet, The Moscow Ballet and many others. Auditions to the Nutcracker Ballet with the Moscow Ballet have resulted in 100% acceptance year after year. Students are accepted as early as 3 years of age and are guided to transform into well mannered ladies and ballerinas. Associations: Scottish Rite Center; Jewish Community Center; Incarnation Catholic Church

Honors: Great Moscow Russian Ballet Nutcracker for four consecutive years; Conservatorio Internacional de Cuba Honor Award in Music and Dance; Prima Ballerina Award in The George Milenoff Dance Company

Education: Conservatorio Internacional de Musica in Havana, Cuba. Studied under: Alicia Alonso; Laurita Alonso of Ballet Nacional de Cuba; Carlota Pereira of Argentina; George Milenoff of the Ballet Russe de Monte Carlo; Thomas Armour of the Miami Ballet; Anzin of Tampa Ballet

*Family:* Married with two children

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the largest (114 acres, 54 buildings) and longest established (1993) of the Palm Beach Community College District, is located in the heart of Palm Beach County with a yearly head count of over 25,000 students from 60 foreign countries and 1,157 full time and adjunct faculty. Maria has been with the Lake Worth campus since September of 1999. As the Provost of the campus she serves as principal advisor to the District President and Board of Trustees on all matters relating to the campus. She also serves as a member of the District President's Staff, representing the campus, and is responsible for the campus operational budget of over \$7,000,000 (not including personnel). Maria provides coordination, direction and assessment of various campus, as well as college initiatives, including at one point, a student apartment housing community that accommodated over 600 students. Maria published "The Issue is Still Access" in Hispanic Outlook, September, 1994, and her secret to success has been her great passion for education. While a dean and later a vice president at several institutions, Maria reorganized and implemented a student centered management and advocacy model of the Division of Student Affairs, developed Institutional Enrollment Management and Retention delivery systems, including the

creation of a college-wide task force on Recruitment and Retention. She led one of the Colleges in a collaborative process of creating a new College logo and marketing strategy.

Associations: Maria has served on several **Board of Trustees Subcommittees:** Community Relations, Legislation, Minorities and Student Affairs, as well as Chair of Academic Standing Committee and Chair of Cooperative Education Advisory Committee. Currently, she is a member of the Women's Chamber of Palm Beach County, Central Palm Beach Chamber of Commerce, Palm Beach County Partnership for Aging, Executive Women of the Palm Beaches, Board of Directors, ASPIRA of Florida and state representative to the ASPIRA National Board. At Palm Beach State she established the first "American Association of Women in Community Colleges" chapter, as well as the first "ASPIRA" college club in the Country. She has created over 30 community partnerships for her campus including the Adoption of Diamond View Elementary School.

**Honors:** While a Dean and later a Vice President at several institutions, Maria reorganized and implemented a student centered management and advocacy model of the Division of Student Affairs; Developed Institutional Enrollment Management and Retention delivery systems, including the creation of a college-wide taskforce on Recruitment and Retention; Led one of the Colleges in a collaborative process of creating a new College logo and marketing strategy. At Palm Beach State she established the first "American Association of Women in Community Colleges" chapter, as well as establishing the first "ASPIRA" college club in the Country

**Education:** M.A., Applied Human

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Development, Guidance Counseling, B.A., Bilingual Counseling, minor, Secondary Education, Hampshire College, Amherst, MA; M.E.D., Columbia University, New York; Ph.D., Bilingual Curriculum Development/Higher Education, New York University, NY *Family:* María is married for over 33 years and has two grown sons. She was born in Puerto Rico and raised in the South Bronx, NYC.

#### Vallejo, Raquel

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Raquel Vallejo is a family
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Group. She has experience in all facets of family law, including complex contested issues of custody, parenting time, child support, alimony and equitable distribution of assets. Ms. Vallejo's other areas of practice include emancipation, modification of custody, enforcement of custody, paternity, and domestic violence matters. She is fluent in Spanish and conversational in Portuguese. Ms. Vallejo served as a judicial law clerk to the Honorable Thomas P. Zampino, Judge of the Superior Court of New Jersey.

Associations: New Jersey State Bar Association, American Bar Association, Morris County Bar Association, Union County Trustee-Union County Bar Association, Volunteer attorney for the Jersey Battered Women's Shelter, Panelist for the Morris County Family Court-Early Settlement Program

**Honors:** Ms. Vallejo appeared on CNN Español and Telemundo television

**Education:** J.D., Seton Hall University School of Law; B.A., Political Science and Spanish,

**Rutgers University** 

Family: Mother, Mercedes

#### Vidal, Manuel A.

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having over thirty years of



experience in the insurance industry. PFG has become the premier provider of life insurance solutions for high net worth individuals and corporations worldwide. Because of their experience and expertise, PFG can offer U.S. and foreign nationals the best products issued by the top rated life insurance companies in the U.S. and offshore. PFG's extensive network of global banks and financial institutions ensures that clients will always have the best opportunity to meet their financial goals. Mr. Vidal founded Premium Finance Group thirty years ago and credits his success with having a sense of urgency.

**Associations:** St. Jude's **Honors:** AXA Hall of Fame

**Education:** BS, Marketing, Florida State University; Attended Wharton School for an Executive Program; License in Life and Health

Insurance

Family: Married to Suzanne with two

children

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# Weidmer-Mikhail, Elizabeth M.D.

Presbyterian Hospital-Texas Health 8200 Walnut Hill Lane Dallas, TX 75231 www.texashealth.org *Business Specialty:* Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital Dallas is an 898-bed



acute-care hospital treating some of the most complicated cases in North Texas. The facility is committed to transforming health care in North Texas by investing in advanced technology such as BrainSuite, the da Vinci robotic surgical system, and electrophysicology bi-plane operating rooms. Texas Health Dallas is recognized as a Magnet designated facility for excellence in nursing services by the American Nurses Credentialing Center, the nation's largest and leading nursing credentialing organization. Texas Health Dallas was recognized in 2007 as a U.S. News and World Report Best Hospital for Digestive Disorders, Neurology and Neurosurgery and Orthopedics specialties. From our Stereotactic Surgery Program for Parkinson's disease to their Gamma Knife for treating tumors, they are able to offer a wide range of services to care for complicated medical conditions. Dr. Weidmer-Mikhail's practice is in adult and child psychiatry and is a Board Certified Hospitalist. She is primarily affiliated with Texas Health Dallas, and also Texas Health Physicians Group. In addition, Dr. Weidmer-Mikhail has been practicing medicine since 1993.

**Honors:** Texas Health Dallas received the Magnet Recognition Program Award for excellence in nursing services from the

American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC), the nation's largest and leading nursing credentialing organization within the American Nurses Association (ANA). *Education:* Medical Degree, Universidad Nacional Autonoma de Mexico-Mexico City, Mexico; Internship, University of Missouri-Kansas City, MO; Residency, UT Southwestern Medical School-Dallas, TX; Fellowship, UT Southwestern Medical School-Dallas, TX

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### Zil, John Stephen

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Business Specialty: Forensic and Correctional Psychiatry, Clinical Adult Psychiatry and Ethics and Ethics in Medical and Mental Health Practice. Forensic Psychiatry is a sub-specialty of psychiatry and an auxiliary science of criminology. It encompasses the interface between law and psychiatry. Dr. John Zil has published 62 books, including textbooks and government monographs in the field of forensic psychiatry. He is a very well respected Forensic Psychiatrist who is often called as an expert witness in both criminal and civil proceedings.

**Associations:** White House-Appointed Commissioner, Physicians Advisory Board of the Presidential Business Commission; National Consultant & Member, Task Force on Psychiatric Services in Prison and Jails (appointed by American Psychiatric Association; Subject Matter & Co-Chair, State of California Task Force on Tarasoff & Duty to Warn (appointed by Directors of Correction; American Society of Hispanic Psychiatrists; Chicano-Latino Medical Society of California; Diplomate, American Board of Psychiatry & Neurology, American Board of Medical Specialties; National Ranking in Sub-Specialty, 99th Percentile (highest score); numerous others

*Honors:* "Outstanding Work", Recognition in Correctional Psychiatry, American Psychiatric Association, 2002; Honored Selection,

America's Top Psychiatrists, Forensic
Psychiatry, Consumers Research Council of
America, 2002-2003; numerous others *Education:* BA, Chemistry & Mathematics,
University of Redlands, CA,; University of
California, San Diego; University of Arizona,
Tucson; Yale University, School of Medicine &
Yale-New Haven Hospital; Yale University &
Jefferson College of Law; numerous others