

# **Travis County Commissioners Court Agenda Request**

Meeting Date: June 26, 2012

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Elected/Appointed Official/Dept. Head: Margaret J. Gomez

**Commissioners Court Sponsor:** Margaret J. Gomez

# **AGENDA LANGUAGE:**

Appoint Angelica Salinas Evans to the Travis County Children's Protective Services Board to fill an unexpired term effective immediately through October 31, 2012.

# ANGÉLICA SALINAS EVANS

#### **BAR ADMISSIONS**

Texas State Bar #794582, since November 1995

#### **EDUCATION**

The University of Texas School of Law, Austin, TX J.D., May 1995
Texas A&M University, College Station, TX B.A., History; Minor, Political Science, December 1991

## **EXPERIENCE**

The University of Texas School of Law, Austin, TX Associate Director for Career Services, August 2008-present

Ensure effective and efficient operation of the office; work collaboratively in a team environment; counsel and coach students and alumni on their career goals; perform resume reviews and mock interviews; responsible for collecting, compiling and overseeing employment data and reporting; develop relationships with employers; maintain the job bank and approve all employer registrations and job postings; coordinate professional development programming; supervise administrative staff; serve as staff advisor to two student groups; make presentations to students and staff.

Texas Department of Insurance, Austin, TX

Fraud Counsel & Assistant Director, July 2001-August 2008

Advised the Fraud Unit, a criminal law enforcement unit which investigates felony insurance fraud throughout the state of Texas; conducted case reviews with the investigators/peace officers and approved investigations prior to submission to state and federal prosecutors; served as liaison between the Travis County District Attorney's Office and the Fraud Unit and between TDI's Legal Department and the Fraud Unit; drafted, reviewed, and revised policies; drafted, reviewed and commented on proposed legislation affecting the Fraud Unit; performed legal research and training; interpreted state and federal rules and statutes; reviewed all open records requests and subpoenas and coordinated any subsequent representation with the Attorney General's Office; analyzed monthly statistical data compiled for reporting purposes; prepared and edited periodic reports; represented the Fraud Unit on various committees and interviewed prospective investigators.

Staff Attorney, Enforcement Division, April 2000-October 2000

Represented the Texas Department of Insurance in matters pertaining to violations of the Insurance Code, Administrative Code, Government Code, Occupations Code, and other insurance laws of the State; ensured all contested matters were concluded within 180 days and that all cases were appropriately tracked in the Department's central tracking database. Caseload included violations by insurance agents and companies as well as persons and entities licensed by the State Fire Marshal's Office.

Center for Health Care Services, San Antonio, TX In-house Counsel, October 2000-July 2001

Served as counsel to this community mental health and mental retardation center with a \$46 million budget and 600 employees; advised the Board of Trustees and the

Executive Director in all legal matters including, interpreting the Texas Open Meetings and Information Acts, Texas Government and Local Government Codes, Texas Administrative Code, federal and state statutes and regulations pertaining to community mental health, mental retardation and substance abuse centers, employment law matters, Medicaid and Medicare issues, including fraud and abuse issues, HIPAA, and on credentialing and other functions imposed upon Mental Health/Retardation Authorities by the legislature; developed policies and procedures; reviewed and developed contracts and procurement documents; served on the executive committee and provided input with regards to the operations of all the departments, including Quality Management and Information Technology.

Austin Travis County Integral Care (formerly Austin Travis County MHMR Center), Austin, TX

Network Contracting Director, April 1997-April 2000

Managed the Network Contracting Department and Credentialing Department, including responsibility for employee supervision (3) and budgeting; assured the development and execution of all Provider and non-Provider contracts, from the drafting of the Request for Proposal (RFP) or Application (RFA) through the negotiation, drafting, and execution of the contract; reviewed and interpreted statutes and rules pertaining to community mhmr centers; coordinated contract management and monitoring for over 150 contracts; oversaw the credentialing process and data management, including the purchase and implementation of a credentialing database; coordinated all contracting activities with Planning, Provider Relations, Consumer Affairs, Quality Management, Utilization Management, Claims Payment, Finance and Management Information Systems; advised the Board of Trustees at monthly meetings; managed the \$1.5 million City/County agreement for substance abuse services, which included services provided to the Community Court; served on the Business Practices Committee, the Clinical Quality Committee and various sub-committees.

Law Offices of Angélica I. Salinas, Austin, TX Attorney at Law, November 1995-April 1997

Performed all activities of a highly-functioning law practice, including: advising and counseling clients, interpreting case law, drafting motions, representing clients in court proceedings and/or mediation sessions, with emphasis on family law and criminal law, including, but not limited to, divorces, child custody suits, child support modifications, protective order petitions and defense, and felony, misdemeanor and juvenile criminal defense. Other areas of practice included personal injury litigation and consumer protection litigation.

Law Offices of Oscar Buitron, Austin, TX Law Clerk, June 1993-November 1995

Performed the following duties: office management, legal research, petition preparation, client contact, and client representation (upon receipt of Student Bar Card in June 1994).

Texas Legislature, State Representative Sylvia Romo-District 125, Austin, TX Intern, Spring 1993

Conducted research, prepared bill analyses, and communicated with constituents by phone and in writing.

## COMMUNITY SERVICE AND ACTIVITIES

Becker Elementary, Campus Advisory Council, Parent Representative, 2011-2012 Becker Elementary Parent Teacher Association, Programs Chair; Teacher Appreciation Committee, 2011-12

University of Texas Child Development Center, Parent Advisory Council, 2010-2011 Hispanic Bar Association of Austin (HBAA), President, 2008

HBAA Charitable Foundation, Director 2004-09, Co-Chair, Hispanic Heritage Scholarship Luncheon, 2005

Mexican American Bar Association of Texas, V.P. Administration, 2006-2007 Austin Bar Association, Adoption Day Committee Member 2006 - 2008