



THE LEGACY OF JUDGE REYNALDO G. GARZA

**CELEBRATING
THE 60TH
ANNIVERSARY
OF HIS HISTORIC
APPOINTMENT
TO THE FEDERAL
BENCH**

WEDNESDAY • APR 28TH, 2021 •  **zoom**
Video Communications

Hosted by:

- Hispanic Issues Section, State Bar of Texas
- ABA Commission on Hispanic Legal Rights & Responsibilities
- Cameron County Bar Association

Moderator:

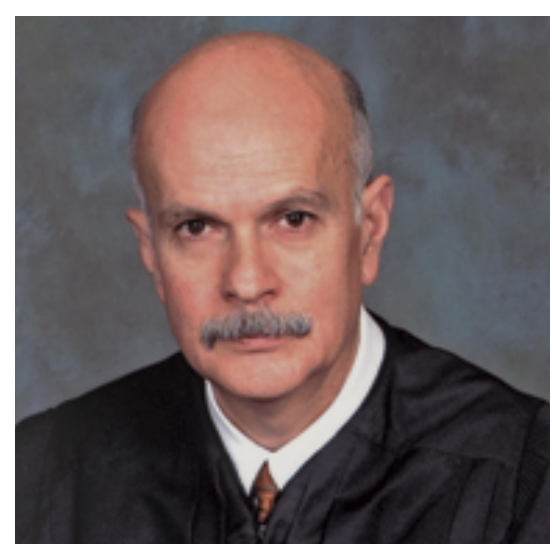
Carlos Soltero

Panelists:

- Ricardo H. Hinojosa
- Ygnacio (Nacho) Garza
- Rolando Olvera
- Benigno (Trey) Martinez

Topic:

Sixty years ago, in 1961, President John F. Kennedy nominated Brownsville-native (and son of Mexican immigrants) Reynaldo G. Garza for the United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas. Upon his confirmation, Judge Garza became the first Mexican-American federal judge in U.S. history. In 1979, Judge Garza would go on to become the first Mexican-American appointed to serve on a United States Court of Appeals. Join our distinguished panel as they discuss how Judge Garza's unique background and experience prepared him for the practice of law and the bench; his role as a mentor for lawyers and judges; his judicial accomplishments; and his most notable decisions. The panel will also share personal recollections about how Judge Garza impacted their lives and the legal community at large.



**Ricardo H
Hinojosa**

a Rio Grande City native, has been a United

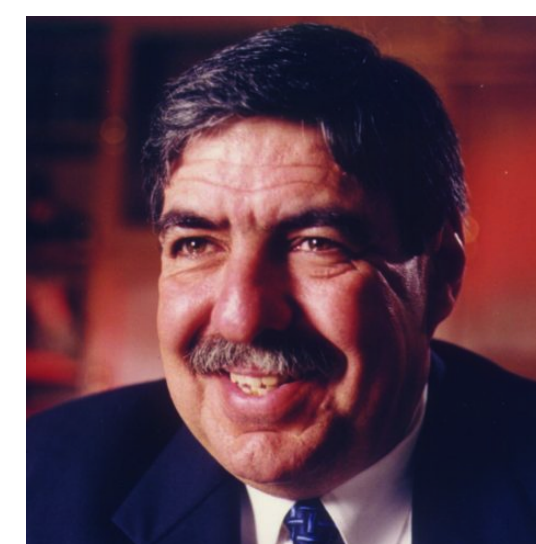
States District Judge since his nominated by President Reagan and confirmation in 1983. He was appointed to serve on the U.S. Sentencing Commission by President Bush in 2003. Judge Hinojosa also served as chief judge of the Southern District of Texas from 2009 to 2016.



**Rolando
Olvera**

a Brownsville native, has been a United States Dis-

trict Judge in Brownsville since 2015, following his nomination by President Obama. Judge Olvera previously served as a state district judge for nearly ten years, including as presiding judge of the Fifth Administrative Judicial Region of Texas



**Ygnacio
Nacho
Garza**

son of Judge Reynaldo Garza, is a

partner at the Brownsville office of Carr, Riggs & Ingram; he has worked in public accounting for more than 40 years. Nacho's commitment to public service include stints as a Brownsville city commissioner, mayor of Brownsville, and Chairman of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.



**Benigno
(Trey)
Martinez**

a Brownsville native, clerked for Judge

Garza on the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals. Following his clerkship, he worked as one of the youngest Assistant United States Attorneys in the country. Since 2000, Trey has been in private practice at the MBMT Law Firm, where he focuses on civil and white-collar criminal cases.

REGISTER HERE: shorturl.at/yzBGH

**12:00PM TO 1:00PM CST • 1 HOUR CLE (0 ETHICS HOURS)
FOR ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT: CDPINEDA37@GMAIL.COM**