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**HISPANIC ISSUES
SECTION**
of the
State Bar of Texas

March 26, 2025, at the Texas Law Center
1414 Colorado Street, Austin

- 9:00-9:15** **Registration & Welcoming Remarks**
Chief Justice Maria Salas Mendoza, Chair, Hispanic Issues Section
Novert Morales, Morales Law Office, Interim President, MABATX
Steve Benesh, President, State Bar of Texas
- 9:15-10:00** **What's New in Appellate Law –A Judicial Perspective**
Moderator: Gavin Villarreal, Baker Botts L.L.P
Justice Gisela Triana, 3rd Court of Appeals
Ret. Justice Gina Benavides, 13th Court of Appeals
- 10:00-10:45** **Criminal Law Practice and Update**
District Attorney Jose P. Garza, Travis County
Novert Morales, Morales Law Office, PLLC
Victor Arana, Morales Law Office, PLLC
- BREAK*
- 11:00-11:45** **Criminal Law Implications on Immigration**
Belinda Arroyo, Belinda Arroyo Law Office, P.L.L.C.
- 11:45-12:15** **Lunch**
SBOT Benefits
David Courreges, State Bar of Texas Board
- 12:15-1:00** **Hot Issues of the 89th Legislature**
Moderator: Gloria Leal, Attorney & Government Affairs Consultant
Invited: Mexican American Legislative Caucus & Senate Hispanic Caucus
- 1:00-1:30** **Estate Planning: Wills & Powers of Attorney**
Mario Flores, Law Offices of Mario Flores
- BREAK*
- 1:45-3:00** **Litigation and Voting Rights Update**
Nina Perales, V.P. of Litigation, Mexican American Legal Defense Education Fund
(MALDEF)
- BREAK*
- 3:15-3:45** **Current Issues in Employment Law**
Jessica Mendez, Flores Mendez, P.C.
Enrique Chavez, Chavez Law Firm
- 3:45-4:00** **Closing Remarks**

*Registration Fee: \$100.00 includes 5.75 hr. CLE/Ethics credit, lunch, and reception entry.

To register, contact: MABATX2023@gmail.com