

LATINE LAW STUDENTS

ASSOCIATION PANEL

DISCUSSION

TUESDAY, FEB. 25

6:30 pm – 8 pm

**RECENT EXECUTIVE ACTIONS TERMINATING LEGAL STATUS
AND LAWFUL PATHWAYS FOR IMMIGRANTS: HUMANITARIAN
PAROLE PROGRAMS, TEMPORARY PROTECTED STATUS (TPS),
EXPEDITED REMOVAL, AND IMPLICATIONS**

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Please join us for an upcoming panel presentation discussing recent executive actions taken by the Trump Administration and other actions under consideration to eliminate lawful pathways and terminate legal status and work authorization of recent immigrant arrivals granted by the Biden administration. These recent executive actions include: revocation of the Venezuelan TPS extension issued by outgoing DHS Secretary Mayorkas and termination of the 2023 Venezuelan TPS designation by DHS Sec. Noem, termination of the Cuba, Haiti, Nicaragua, Venezuela (CHNV) Humanitarian Parole Program and CBPOne App Appointments and Parole at the U.S./Mexico border, proposed measures to terminate grants of humanitarian parole by the Biden administration to CHNV humanitarian parolees and CBPOne app humanitarian parolees, and proposed use of expanded expedited removal against these populations. The panel will also discuss the economic impact of these recent and proposed executive actions by the Trump administration terminating the lawful status and work authorization held by these recent immigrant arrivals.

Meet the Panelists!



Ana Pottratz Acosta (Moderator)

Ana Pottratz Acosta is a Professor of Law at Mitchell Hamline School of Law in St. Paul, MN where she teaches Immigration Law, Professional Responsibility and the Health Law Clinic, which provides representation to indigent clients using the Medical Legal Partnership model. Ana also serves as Supervising Attorney responsible for overseeing the Medical-Legal Partnership program between Mitchell Hamline and Riverland Community Health, a Federally Qualified Healthcare (FQHC) facility in St. Paul, MN. Immediately prior to joining Mitchell Hamline, Ana practiced at Stinson Leonard Street LLP as an attorney in the immigration law group where she represented clients in employment-based immigration matters and supervised non-immigration attorneys on pro bono immigration matters for clients of the Deinard Clinic, the firm's pro bono program providing legal services to patients of the University of Minnesota Community University Health Care Center (CUHCC). Additionally, from 2004 to 2010, Ana served as an immigration attorney for Lutheran Social Services of New York (LSSNY) Immigration Legal Services Program where she provided direct legal services to low-income immigrant populations in New York City. Ana also served for two years, from 2008 to 2010, as supervisor of the LSSNY Refugee Resettlement Program, where she worked with LSSNY staff and volunteers to provide reception and placement services to newly resettled refugees. Ana is a 2004 graduate of Columbia Law School and a 2001 graduate of the University of Minnesota.



Marcos Ramirez

Marcos Ramirez (Panelist) - Marcos Ramirez is the founder of Nexum Legal PLLC, a law firm in Minnesota. As a multicultural attorney Marcos Ramirez provides a deep understanding of Latin America culture to his clients. He received a Lawyer degree (L.L.B) from the Universidad de los Andes, a Master of Business Administration from the Hamline University School of Business, a J.D. and Master of Law from the Hamline University School of Law and was a Policy Fellow at the University of Minnesota School of Public Affairs. Marcos is admitted to practice before the Minnesota state bar, the District of Columbia, the U.S. Federal District Court for the District of Minnesota, and the U.S. Supreme Court. He was the Past Chair of the Immigration Section of the Minnesota State Bar Association. In 2020, Marcos Ramirez was awarded the 2020 Diversity & Inclusion Award by Minnesota Lawyer. During his free time, Marcos enjoys reading 3 books at the same time, in 3 different languages.



Abdiwahab Mohamed

Abdiwahab Mohamed is a professional working in economic development who currently serves as the Assistant Commissioner of the Office of New Americans, a new state agency within the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED). Within the Office of New Americans, Assistant Commissioner Mohamed has developed and implemented a strategic framework to include immigrants and refugees in MN in economic development initiatives, coordinate with other state agencies and external stakeholders to realize inclusion initiatives and integration of new Americans into the workforce, and reduce barriers to economic development. Prior to serving as Assistant Commissioner of the Office of New Americans, Assistant Commissioner Mohamed worked as a Senior Grants and Performance Specialist for the State of Minnesota and with the Minnesota Trade Office to support economic growth in Minnesota through international trade and foreign investment. Asst. Commissioner Mohamed holds a Master's Degree in International Relations and Affairs and a Bachelor's Degree in Political Science and Economics from the University of Nairobi in Nairobi, Kenya.



Aron D. Thorn Speaker Bio

Aron D. Thorn is a Senior Attorney in the Beyond Borders Program at the Texas Civil Rights Project (TCRP). He has been based in the Rio Grande Valley of Texas for over ten years, the last 5 years in his role with TCRP. Prior to joining TCRP, Aron was an in-house civil lawyer with the County of Hidalgo, Texas, one of the largest counties by population on the Texas-Mexico border. Aron engages in federal and state impact litigation related to the militarization of the border, which affects both those migrating through the borderlands, and those who call the border home.

Aron's work in this capacity has included: working with families separated on the border under the Zero Tolerance policy, filing a class action challenge to the placement of individuals with disabilities in the Migrant Protection Protocols, advocating for just policies at the 88th Texas Legislature, a legal challenge to Texas's Senate Bill 4, passed in 2023, purporting to give State officials de facto deportation authority, defending non-profit organizations from harassing investigations undertaken by the Texas Attorney General, and dozens of Know-Your-Rights presentations to immigrant communities throughout the Rio Grande Valley and the South Texas region.



Adriana Segundo El-Farrah

Adriana Segundo El-Farrah is the owner of the Law Office of Adriana Segundo El-Farrah, PLLC a multifaceted practice focused on family-based immigration, both in the United States and abroad, through U.S. Embassies and Consulates around the world. With over a decade of legal experience, Adriana has aided hundreds of clients navigate the complexities of U.S. immigration law to a successful conclusion.

Adriana has a passion for service in both her profession and community. She currently serves on the Leadership Committee for the San Antonio Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, is school board member of The Gathering Place and is involved with Girl Scouts of Southwest Texas on the Fund Development Committee and Lotería para Líderes Fiesta Committee.

She has previously served as Vice President of the San Antonio Bar Association, Immigration and Nationality section and as Chair of the Communication and Publications Committee and Chair of Refugee and Asylee issues of the State Bar of Texas Immigration and Nationality Section.

Through the San Antonio Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, Adriana served as the co-chair for Class 5 of the Latina Leadership Institute in 2020. She is also an alum of Leadership San Antonio, Class 44, Latina Leadership Institute, Class 3, and the City of San Antonio's Neighborhood Leadership Academy.

She holds a bachelor's degree in government from the University of Texas at Austin and a Juris Doctorate from St. Mary's University.

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