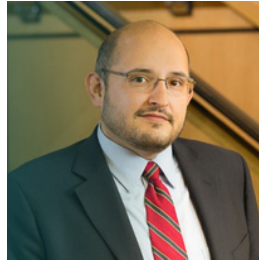




## DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE

# Law Advisory Council Members:



**Luis Carrasco**

A native New Mexican, Luis received his B.A. in political science from UNM and earned his J.D. from Cornell Law School. He served as Assistant Attorney General for the state of New Mexico from 2012-2015, and then joined the firm of Rodey, Dickason, Sloan, Akin & Robb, P.A., where he is currently a shareholder/director and the managing director of the firm's Santa Fe office. Luis is interested in working with prospective law students out of a desire to increase diversity within the profession, and he would also like to serve as a source of information and support for first-generation students.



**Nick Davis**

Nick was born in New Mexico and graduated with honors from UNM's School of Law. He is an attorney at Davis Law New Mexico, where he primarily handles civil rights cases pertaining to police misconduct, first amendment retaliation, and race/gender discrimination. Each fall, he teaches a course on pre-trial practice at UNM's law school.



**Scott England**

Scott England received his law degree from Northwestern University, and is currently a professor at UNM's law school, where he teaches criminal law and legal writing. Prior to his teaching career, Scott served as a staff attorney for the Illinois Criminal Code Rewrite and Reform Commission, and helped draft a proposal for the state's criminal code. Scott is interested in working with prospective law students because he believes that practicing law is a rewarding career path.



## **Teague Gonzalez**

Teague González is a movement lawyer with experience in direct legal services, community-led legislative advocacy, administrative advocacy, and impact litigation. She has worked with and supported community in San Francisco, Oakland, and Miami. She was raised in El Paso and Santa Teresa and is delighted to serve community in New Mexico directing programs and advocacy at the New Mexico Immigrant Law Center. Teague is deeply invested in supporting and mentoring the next generation of New Mexican legal activists from our state's flagship university system.



## **Torri Jacobus**

Torri Jacobus is a national facilitator and leader on the topics of race equity, social justice, and human rights. She presently serves as the Chair of the New Mexico Supreme Court Commission on Equity and Justice with the charge to study issues related to race and bias in the state's justice system. She is committed to increasing diversity in the legal profession and looks forward to helping build interest and capacity in future law students.



## **Eric Orona**

Eric Orona is a first-generation college graduate, receiving both his B.A. and J.D. from UNM. He currently works with the legal division at Sandia National Labs where he assists with issues related to international trade and national security. Eric aims to offer guidance and support to students interested in law school, assisting them with hurdles such as the LSAT, the bar exam, and beyond.



## **Amanda Parker**

Dr. Amanda Parker is a writer, researcher, and educator from Albuquerque with a PhD focused on critical race studies in education and society. Currently, she serves as the director of the Equity in Justice Program at the State Bar of New Mexico, and is specifically interested in encouraging UNM students from underrepresented and historically excluded backgrounds to consider law school.



## **Preston Sanchez**

Preston Sanchez graduated in 2012 from UNM School of Law. He currently serves as co-lead counsel in *Yazzie/Martinez v. State of New Mexico*, a case that established students' rights to an adequate education across the state. In 2019, Preston became the Indigenous Justice Attorney for the ACLU of New Mexico, where he directs litigation and policy efforts that challenge the disparate and discriminatory treatment of New Mexico's indigenous peoples.



## **K. Renée Ferrell**

Renée Ferrell is the Director of Admissions & Financial Aid and Director of the Master of Studies in Law Program at the University of New Mexico School of Law. She earned a BA in Political Science from Virginia Tech and a JD from the University of Kentucky College of Law. Before entering law school administration, she served as a juvenile public defender, providing representation to children from low-income families.