

## **CURRICULUM VITA (January 1, 2024)**

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### **Education**

Ph.D. Political Science, University of California, Riverside, 1995

M.A. Political Science, University of California, Riverside, 1993

B.A. Political Science, California State University, San Bernardino, 1989

### **Professional Experience**

Professor, University of Texas at San Antonio, September 2022-present

Chair, Department of Public Administration, University of Texas at San Antonio, September 2019-present

Associate Professor, University of Texas at San Antonio, September 2003-August 2022

Associate Dean of Undergraduate Studies, Faculty, and Community Engagement, College of Public Policy, University of Texas at San Antonio, October 2009-August 2019

Assistant Professor, University of Texas at San Antonio, August 1998-August 2003

Visiting Assistant Professor and Director of Political Science Internships, University of California, Riverside, September 1996-June 1997

Assistant Professor, Middle Tennessee State University, August 1994 -May 1997

### **Awards and Recognitions**

San Antonio Women's Hall of Fame—2019 Inductee, Higher Education Category

San Antonio Clean Technology Forum, Water for Life Award—2017 Nominee

Green Spaces Alliance, Land We Love Gala—2016 Honoree

UTSA President's Distinguished Achievement Award for Excellence in Community Service—2013 Winner

Office of the United States Secretary of Defense, Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve, Patriotic Employer Award—2013

### **Research**

#### ***Refereed Journal Articles (partial):***

“Can Gentrification Battles Promote Civic Health? A case study analysis in San Antonio, Texas,” co-authored with Patricia A. Jaramillo, *Housing Policy Debate* 2023, 33(1): 251-268.

“‘For the Contrary View’: Reconsidering the Early Anti-Zoning Decisions,” *Journal of Planning History* 2022, 21(3): 199-214.

"National Presidential Election Turnout: 1952-2020," co-authored with David W. Romero, *American Politics Research* 2021, 49(6): 637-645.

“Logic and Effectiveness of Urban Tree Preservation: A Comparative Case Study of Charlotte

- and San Antonio,” *State and Local Government Review* 2021, 53(2): 142-158.
- “Political and Policy Dynamics of Municipal Annexation in Texas,” *Public Administration Quarterly* Summer 2020, 44(2): 288-328.
- “Before the Federal Rights Revolution: The Impact of Northern State Civil Rights Laws in the First Half of the Twentieth Century.” *Social Science History* 2019, 43(3): 345-363.
- “Immigration Restrictions of the Progressive Era: Determinants of Senate Roll Call Votes,” co-authored with David W. Romero, *Journal of Political Science*, 2018, 46: 7-35.
- “San Antonio’s Edwards Aquifer Protection Program: review and analysis.” *Texas Water Journal*, March 2018, 9(1): 1-15.
- “Challenges of Open Space Preservation: A Texas Case Study.” *Town Planning Review*, March 2016, 87(2): 159-178.
- “Constructing ‘The Rim’: A Case Study of Land Use Regulations in Texas” (co-authored with Daniel Ortiz). *Journal of Architectural and Planning Research*, Autumn 2014, 31(3): 201-217.
- “Early Twentieth Century Racial Discrimination Cases in State Supreme Courts,” *Politics & Policy*, December 2009, 37:1193-1214.
- “The Impact of the Seventeenth Amendment on Reform Votes in the U.S. Senate.” *Social Science Quarterly*, September 2007, 88:816-829.
- “Value Frameworks in the Policy Analysis Course: An Application Exercise.” *Journal of Public Affairs Education*, Summer 2006, 12:347-360.
- “‘There Are Only White Champions’: The Rise and Demise of Segregated Boxing in Texas.” *Southwestern Historical Quarterly*, July 2004, 108:27-41.
- “Continuing the Open Space Preservation Dialogue: A Response to Howell-Moroney.” *Social Science Quarterly*, March 2004, 85:180-186 (Invited by editor).
- “Precedent, Parity, and Racial Discrimination: A Federal/State Comparison of the Impact of *Brown v. Board of Education*” (co-authored with David W. Romero). *Law and Society Review*, December 2003, 37:809-826.
- “Open Space Preservation Policies: An Institutional Policy Comparison.” *Journal of Architectural and Planning Research*, Summer 2003, 20:164-176.
- “Saving Open Spaces: Determinants of 1998 and 1999 ‘Anti-Sprawl’ Ballot Measures” (co-authored with Adrian Liserio). *Social Science Quarterly*, March 2002, 83:341-352.
- “The Policy Analysis Course: Toward a Discipline Consensus.” *Journal of Policy Analysis and Management*, Fall 2001, 20:771-779.

**Books:**

- Presidents from Theodore Roosevelt through Coolidge, 1901-1929: Debating the Issues in Pro and Con Primary Documents*. Greenwood Press, 2002.
- Civil Rights Policymaking in the United States: An Institutional Perspective*. Praeger, 2002.

**Other Recent Publications:**

- “Local-Level Precedents for Zoning Reform,” *Planning* (The Magazine of the American Planning Association), Summer 2022, pp. 23-24.
- “Political polarization and negative campaign ads may have increased turnout in presidential elections,” (co-authored with David W. Romero), USAPP, American Politics and Policy Blog, London School of Economics Phelan United States Center, November 2021,

<http://eprints.lse.ac.uk/112396/>

- “William Howard Taft and the Constitution,” Invited Chapter in *The Presidents and the Constitution*, Editor K. Gormley, New York University Press, May 2016.  
[Reprinted in *The Presidents and the Constitution, Volume 1*, 2020.]
- “*Brown v. Board of Education*,” Invited Entry in *American Governance*, Eds. Schechter, et al., Volume 1. Farmington Hills, MI: Macmillan Reference USA, 2016, pp. 165-167.  
[Companion reference work to *Encyclopedia of the American Constitution* and *Encyclopedia of the Supreme Court*.]
- “Bonus Act of 1924,” Entry in *The Twenties in America*, Salem Press, 2012.
- “*Moore v. Dempsey*,” Entry in *The Twenties in America*, Salem Press, 2012.
- “*Missouri ex rel. Gaines v. Canada*,” Entry in *The Thirties in America*, Salem Press, 2011.
- “Progressivism and Immigration.” Entry in *Encyclopedia of American Immigration*, Salem Press, 2010.

***Grant/Contract Recipient:***

- City of San Antonio Climate Action and Adaptation Plan, \$500,000 Contract, Co-PD/PI (September 2017-February 2019)
- UTSA, Office of the Vice President for Research, \$5,000 INTRA Grant, “Political and Policy Dynamics of Municipal Annexation in Texas” (awarded 6/1/16; performance period 9/1/16-8/31/17)
- DOCUmentation, \$2,000 Grant, (awarded 7/28/16)
- City of San Antonio Animal Care Services, \$60,000.00 Comprehensive Neighborhood Sweeps Initiative (awarded 2012 and 2013 to UTSA College of Public Policy)
- City of San Antonio Office of Cultural Affairs, \$14,000.00 Arts in the Community Grant, “Crownridge Canyon Interpretive Area” (awarded 12/2003 to Friends of Friedrich Wilderness Park; Francine Romero, President and Grant applicant)

***Fellowship Recipient:***

- 2016 Fellow, Center for Public Policy Dispute Resolution, University of Texas School of Law, September 14-16, 2016

***Recent Conference and Invited Presentations:***

- “Not in My Backyard! The Power and Pitfalls of Citizen Engagement,” Invited lecture in the UTSA 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Scholars Speaker Series, February 26, 2019, Guadalupe Theater, San Antonio, Texas.
- “For the Contrary View: Reconsidering the Substance of the Early Anti-Zoning Decisions,” Invited (peer-reviewed) presentation at the Planning, Law, and Property Rights Conference, February 18-22, 2019, College Station, Texas.
- “Logic and Effectiveness of Urban Tree Preservation Efforts: Comparing Distinct Approaches in Two Southern Cities,” Presented at the Southern Political Science Association Conference, January 17-19, 2019, Austin, Texas.
- “Determinants of Municipal Annexation in Texas,” Presented at the Northeastern Political Science Association Meeting, November 9-11, 2017, Philadelphia, PA.
- “Policy Dynamics of the City of San Antonio’s Edwards Aquifer Protection Program,” Presented at the Texas Land Conservation Conference, Austin, March 2-4, 2016. [Invited Speaker]

“This Land is Your Land?,” Invited lecture in the 210/West Gallery Talk Series, Briscoe Western Art Museum, San Antonio, Texas, April 7, 2015.

“City of San Antonio Edwards Aquifer Protection Program.” Invited presentation at the Texas Agricultural Land Trust, No Land/No Water Conference, Austin, Texas, October 1, 2014.

“Reshaping the Environment,” Presented at Urban Affairs Association Annual Meeting, San Antonio, March 21, 2014

“Advancing Civil Rights at the State Level in the Pre-*Brown* Era.” Presented at Southwestern Social Science Association Annual Meeting, San Antonio, April 17, 2014

“Acquisition as Alternative to Regulation in the Edwards Aquifer and Beyond.” Presented at the UTSA Water Institute of Texas, Symposium on Emerging Water Issues, San Antonio, October 4, 2013.

### **Recent Courses Taught**

#### ***Graduate:***

Administrative Law  
Capstone Seminar  
Land Use Policy  
Land Use and Planning Law  
Policy Analysis  
Policy Process  
Professional Skills Seminar

#### ***Undergraduate:***

Administrative Law/Legal Context of Public Policy and Administration  
Foundations of Civic Engagement  
Public Administration Senior Seminar

### **UTSA Service**

#### ***Chair/Leadership Positions:***

UTSA, Nominating Committee, President’s Distinguished Achievement Award for Community Service, 2017, 2018

UTSA Citymester Internship Planning Committee, 2017-18 AY

UTSA 2020 Blueprint, Community Engagement and Public Service Team, Co-Chair, 2015-2016.

Water Institute of Texas, Director Search Committee, Chair, 2015-2016

Archer Graduate Fellowship Program, UTSA Campus Contact, 2012 to 2017

Freshman Focus Academic Inquiry Sub-Committee, Chair, 2011-2012 AY

Graduate Council Membership Committee, Chair, 2006-07 AY

College of Public Policy, *Impact* magazine, Executive Editor, 2017-present

College of Public Policy Center for Policy Studies Director Search Committee, Chair, 2011-2012 AY

College of Public Policy Department of Demography Chair Search Committee, Chair, 2010-2011AY

Department of Public Administration, Committee to Create Civic Engagement Minor. 2015-2016.

Department of Public Administration Graduate Program Committee, Chair, 2008-09; 2007-08;

2006-07; 2005-06 AY

Department of Public Administration Graduate Advisor of Record, 2008-09; 2007-08 AY

Department of Public Administration Periodic Performance Evaluation Review Committee,  
Chair, 2007-08 AY

Department of Public Administration Assistant Professor Search Committee, Chair, 2003-04 AY

**Member:**

UTSA Department Chairs Council 2019-current

UTSA Institute for Water Research, Sustainability and Policy, Core Faculty, 2020-current

UTSA Scholarship Committee, 2018-2019

UTSA Downtown Task Force, 2016-2019

UTSA CLASS Task Force, Meta-Majors Sub-Committee, 2016-2017 AY

UTSA Summer Term Task Force (appointed by Provost), 2015-2016 AY

UTSA, Nominating Committee, President's Distinguished Achievement Award for Community  
Service, 2016

UTSA Graduate School Dean Search Committee (appointed by Provost), 2014-2015 AY

UTSA Chapter, Advancement of Women in the UT system, 2013-2016

UTSA Areas of Research Excellence, Sustainable Communities and Critical Infrastructure Group,  
Spring 2014-2015

UTSA Graduate Associate Dean's Council, 2009 to 2015

UTSA Undergraduate Associate Dean's Council, 2009-2019

UTSA Downtown Council, 2009-2016

UTSA Outreach Council, 2011-2019

Howe Outstanding Undergraduate Teaching Award Committee, 2013-2018

Freshman Focus Steering Committee, 2011-2012; 2012-2013 AY

Freshman Focus Steering Committee, Ad Hoc Academic Inquiry Committee, Summer 2012

Core Curriculum Proposal Sub-Committee: Government and Political Science Component

Graduate Council, 2007-08; 2006-07; 2005-06; 2004-05 AY

Graduate Council Committee on Membership, 2005-06; 2004-05 AY

Graduate Council Committee on Graduate Program Evaluation, 2002-03; 2001-02 AY

University Dean of Libraries Search Committee, 2008-09; 2006-07 AY

University Libraries Assistant Dean Search Committee, 2005-06 AY

University Grievance Committee, 2004-05; 2003-04 AY

University Building Advisory and Design Review Committee, 2001-02; 2000-01 AY

University Core Curriculum Committee, 2001-02 AY

University Faculty Development Leaves Awarding Committee, 2002-03; 2001-02 AY

College for Health, Community and Policy Executive Council, 2019-present

College for Health, Community and Policy Interdisciplinary Ph.D. Planning Committee, 2020-  
present

College of Public Policy Executive Council, 2009 to 2019

College of Public Policy Dean Search Committee, 2009-2010 AY

College of Public Policy Center for Policy Studies Director Search Committee, 2011-2012 AY

College of Public Policy Ph.D. Proposal Committee, 2008-09; 2007-08 AY

College of Public Policy/College of Architecture Joint Masters of Urban and Regional Planning  
Proposal Committee, 2007-08 AY

College of Public Policy Center for Policy Studies Steering Committee, 2005-06 AY  
College of Public Policy CFRAC, 2005-06 AY  
College of Public Policy Academic Programs Committee, 2003-04; 2002-03 AY  
College of Public Policy Department of Social Work Chair Search Committee, Summer 2003

Department of Public Administration Faculty Review Advisory Committee, 2003-2019  
Department of Public Administration Periodic Performance Evaluation Review Committee,  
2004-05 AY; 2016-2017 AY  
Department of Public Administration Merit Policy Review committee, 2011-2012; 2012-2013  
AY  
Department of Public Administration Faculty Search Committees, 2008-09; 2007-08; 2005-06;  
2002-03; 2001-02; 2000-01; 1999-00; 1998-99 AY

### **Discipline Service**

#### ***Invited Book Reviews:***

*The Primary that Made a President: John F. Kennedy and West Virginia*, by Robert Rupp.  
*Journal of Southern History* 2022, 88(3): 589-590.

*School Choice*, by Alan Wolfe, et al. *Law and Politics Book Review*, July 2005

*Shades of Green*, by Neil Guningham, et al. *Law and Politics Book Review*, November 2003

*Legal Rights, Local Wrongs*, by Kevin G. Welner. *Law and Politics Book Review*, January 2002

*Governance and Race*, by Nina M. Long. *American Political Science Review*, December 2001

#### ***Manuscript/Grant Proposal Reviewer:***

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Island Press

Israel Science Foundation

*Urban Affairs Review*

*Urban Studies Review*

*Law and Society Review*

*Policy and Society*

*Political Research Quarterly*

*Politics and Policy*

*Southeastern Political Review*

*Social Science Quarterly*

*State and Local Government Review*

*Journal of Politics*

*Journal of Intervention and State Building*

#### ***Roundtable Organizer/Chair:***

“Water Equity in Texas and Beyond,” Southern Political Science Association Meeting, San Antonio, 2022

“Social Science Perspectives on the Eagle Ford Shale,” Southwestern Social Science Association Annual Meeting, San Antonio, 2014

“Teaching Policy Analysis at the Graduate Level,” Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 2002

***Section Head:***

Judicial Politics Section, Southwestern Social Science Annual Meeting, 2010

***Panel Discussant:***

Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 2022  
Southwestern Social Science Association Annual Meeting, 2006  
Southwestern Social Science Association Annual Meeting, 2003

***Panel Chair:***

Southwestern Social Science Association Annual Meeting, 2013  
Southwestern Social Science Association Annual Meeting, 2006  
Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 2004  
Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 1999

**Community Service**

***Chair:***

City of San Antonio Zoning Commission, (2016-2018)  
City of San Antonio Conservation Advisory Board (2011-Present; Board member since 2009)

***President:***

Friends of Friedrich Wilderness Park Board of Directors (2001-2010)

***Vice Chair:***

CPS Energy, San Antonio, Board of Trustees (term as Vice Chair began February 2023)  
City of San Antonio Parks and Recreation Advisory Board (2011-2013; District 8 Commissioner, 2009-2013)

***Vice President:***

Hill Country Alliance (2018-2019; Board member from 2016-2019)  
Phil Hardberger Park Conservancy (2009-2010)

***Member:***

CPS Energy, San Antonio, Board of Trustees (confirmed October 2021, term began February 2022)  
City of San Antonio Zoning Commission (2013-2021)  
City of San Antonio Habitat Compliance Form Task Force (2018-2019)  
John Marshall High School Advisory Board (2018-2019)  
City of San Antonio Technical Advisory Committee to Planning Commission (2011-2012; 2015-2017)  
City of San Antonio Mayor's Charter Commission (2014-2018)  
City of San Antonio, Capital Improvement Management Services, Search Committee for Edwards Aquifer Protection Program Director (2011; 2016); Search Committee for Project Manager (2012)  
Alamo Community College District Citizens Bond Oversight Committee, District 7

Representative (2006-2007)  
City of San Antonio Planning Commission (2004-2008)  
City of San Antonio Parks Community Bond Committee (2006-2007)  
Mayor's Vested Rights Review Task Force (2004-2005)  
San Antonio Water System Community Advisory Panel (2002-2003)

***Organizer/Host:***

City of San Antonio Council District 5 Candidates Forum (in partnership with League of Women Voters), 4/3/2017  
Bexar County/Texas Sheriff and Judges Candidates Forum (in partnership with League of Women Voters) 10/5/2016  
Shell Oil Municipal Capacity Building Program, Organizer/Facilitator/Speaker, in partnership with UTSA Institute for Economic Development, Rural Business Program, 2013  
SA2020 Civic Engagement/Government Accountability Public Meetings, UTSA Downtown Campus, 7/2013, 9/2013, 4/2011, 8/2011  
COPP Great Cities Dialogue, Citizen Bill of Rights, 12/2011  
Residential Land Development and Open Space Planning Seminar (in partnership with Bexar Land Trust), UTSA Downtown Campus, 3/2006  
San Antonio Open Space Conference, UTSA Downtown Campus, 4/2004

***Panel Moderator/Discussant/Speaker:***

UTSA Virtual Town Hall with Mayor Ron Nirenberg, "Understanding the Education and Workforce Initiative," 10/30/20  
League of Women Voters of the San Antonio Area, "Propositions 411: An Informational Forum on Ballot Proposals," 10/5/20  
San Antonio Council District 8, "Edwards Aquifer Alternative Funding Q & A," 9/29/20  
San Antonio Council District 7, Facebook live event "Let's Talk about the Future of the Aquifer," 9/16/2020  
San Antonio Council District 8, Virtual Town Hall, "Honing in on Zoning," 6/30/2020.  
UTSA/San Antonio Express-News, Town Hall Meeting, "School Finance," 3/21/2019  
City of Leon Valley, Annual Town Hall Meeting, Organizer and Moderator, 2016-2020  
League of Women Voters of the San Antonio Area, "Charter Amendments Forum," 10/15/2018  
Hill Country Alliance Leadership Summit, "Passing on the Reins: Private Land Ownership Through the Generations" panel, 9/27/2018  
UTSA/San Antonio Express-News, Town Hall Meeting, "Unequal Justice," 6/18/2018  
Federal Tax Bill Policy Discussion with U.S. Representative Nancy Pelosi and U.S. Representative Joaquin Castro, 2/19/2018  
UTSA/San Antonio Express-News, Town Hall Meeting, "MeToo Movement: What's Next?," 2/15/2018  
UTSA/San Antonio Express-News, Town Hall Meeting, "The Opioid Crisis," Moderator, 10/26/2017  
League of Women Voters of the San Antonio Area, "Transportation Needs of San Antonio," Moderator, 10/9/17  
Hill Country Alliance Annual Leadership Summit, "Linking Land and Water Protection: Stories of Conservation Success in the Hill Country," Organizer and Moderator, 9/21/2017



UTSA/San Antonio Express-News, Town Hall Meeting, “A Conversation with Mayor Ron Nirenberg,” Sole Interviewer, 7/27/2017

San Antonio Bar Association, Environmental Law Section, “Edwards Aquifer Protection Program,” Invited Speaker, 5/9/2017.

UTSA/San Antonio Express-News/KLRN, Town Hall Meeting, “Sanctuary Cities: State rules versus local control,” Moderator, 1/26/2017; broadcast date, 2/5/2017

City of Leon Valley, Annual Town Hall Meeting, Organizer and Moderator, 1/28/2017

UTSA/San Antonio Express-News/Spectrum Cable, Town Hall Meeting, “Property tax revenues: legislative limits vs. local control,” Moderator, 10/13/2016

Henry B. Gonzalez Centennial Tribute, UTSA College of Public Policy, Moderator, 5/3/2016

Kent Butler Summit, “Toward a Regional Plan for the Hill Country,” Invited Panelist, 4/22/2016

Texas City Manager’s Association, Region 8 Monthly Meeting, “The Importance of Citizen Involvement/Engagement, and Conducting Effective Town Hall Meetings,” Featured Speaker, 8/19/2016

Diplomas Policy Summit, Welcoming Remarks, 4/10/2016.

UTSA/San Antonio Express-News/Time Warner Cable, Town Hall Meeting, “Traffic Congestion,” Moderator, 3/31/2016

Office of San Antonio District 1 Councilman Robert Trevino, “Coffee with the Councilman—Water Works,” Panelist, 3/19/2016

Hatton W. Sumners 2016 Careers in Politics Conference, Sponsored by UT Austin Annette Strauss Institute for Civic Life, Panel Moderator, 3/5/2016.

City of Leon Valley, Annual Town Hall Meeting, Organizer and Moderator, 1/23/2016

UTSA/San Antonio Express-News/Time Warner Cable, City of San Antonio Mayoral Debates, Moderator, 3/25/2015 and 5/28/2015

San Antonio Express-News/UTSA Town Hall, “Gentrification,” Moderator, 2/10/2015

UTSA/SAWS Water Forum, Organizer and Panelist, 4/1/2015,

Briscoe Museum/201 West Gallery Talks, “This Land is Your Land?,” Invited Speaker, 4/7/2015

Bexar County Judge Election Debate, Welcoming Remarks, 10/14/2014

UTSA Community Connect Breakfast, Keynote Speaker, 8/19/2014

District 8 Dialogues Television Program, Featured Guest, 8/15/2014 (taping)

San Antonio Express-News/UTSA Town Hall “Does San Antonio Need Streetcars?” Town Hall, Moderator, 6/26/2014

“Citizen Planning: The Philadelphia Story,” Breakfast panel moderator and Evening Program Welcoming Remarks, 2/25/2014

San Antonio Express-News/UTSA Town Hall, “San Antonio’s Water Future,” Welcome/Opening Remarks, 2/6/2014

HNTB Corporation, Think Forum on Eagle Ford Shale, Panel Moderator, 11/2013

Texas Rural Challenge, “Municipal Training” Panel Moderator, 6/2013,

Eagle Ford Consortium Second Annual Conference, “Public Entities and Local Government,” Panel Moderator, 3/2013,

San Antonio Police Department National Night Out Awards Ceremony, Welcoming Remarks, 12/2012

Gemini Ink/SA2020, *Constitution Café* Colloquium Luncheon, Speaker, 10/2012

City of San Antonio, Friedrich Park Trailhead Dedication Ceremony, Speaker, 10/2012  
UTSA Football Pep Rally, Downtown Campus, Master of Ceremonies, 9/2012  
International Hispanic Network San Antonio Conference, Panelist, 5/2012  
The Prem Rawat Foundation, Peace on the Inside Event, Welcoming Remarks, 1/2012  
Texas Agricultural Land Trust, Public Lands/Private Benefits Conference, Presenter/Panelist,  
12/2011,  
U.S. State Department/National Council for International Visitors Delegation, Featured Speaker,  
9/2011

### **Media Contributor—Recent**

“Changes strengthen aquifer protection,” *San Antonio Express-News*, 7/16/23.  
“In new power plan, CPS prioritized reliability, flexibility,” *San Antonio Express-News*, 2/9/23  
(Invited by editors).  
“Sports hall overlooks civil rights pioneer—again,” *San Antonio Express-News*, 5/15/2022.  
“There oughta be a law (But there’s probably not!),” *Editorial Series, State of the Hill Country  
Report*, Hill Country Alliance, 4/4/2022. <https://hillcountryalliance.org/there-oughta-be-a-law/>  
“With new funding program, aquifer still protected,” *San Antonio Express-News*, 9/13/2020.  
“Ruling on DACA a protection from partisan flip-flopping,” *San Antonio Express-News*,  
6/22/2020.  
“Edwards Aquifer Protection Program and Sales Tax Funding Questions Answered,” *Rivard  
Report*, 12/6/19.  
“Educate Yourselves on Charter Amendments,” *San Antonio Express-News*, 9/26/2018.  
“Aquifer Protection Visionary,” *San Antonio Express-News*, 3/29/2017.  
Texas Public Radio, *The Source*, Panelist on topic of City of San Antonio Planning Commission,  
11/16/2016  
“Boxer Conspicuously Absent from Hall of Fame,” *San Antonio Express-News*, 4/10/2016 (co-  
authored with Mayor Ivy Taylor)  
“The Q & A: Francine Sanders Romero,” Interview with Bobby Blanchard, *The Texas  
Tribune*, 11/4/2014  
“No Easy Answers in Vista Ridge Question,” Interview with Berit Mason, WOAI Radio,  
10/28/2014  
“Often Forgotten Chapter in Local Civil Rights Struggle,” *San Antonio Express-News*, 6/29/2014  
(co-authored with former U.S. Representative Charles A. Gonzalez)  
“Sound-off,” Interview with Sanford Nowlin, *San Antonio Business Journal*, 8/22/2013  
“San Antonio Water Policy Bold,” *San Antonio Express-News*, 3/1/2013  
“Keeping Our Water Healthy: New Easements to Protect Edwards Aquifer,” *The Rivard Report*,  
9/28/2012