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**EL PASO ATTORNEY JOSE PADILLA SELECTED AS A  
2021-2022 NOMINATING CHAIR BY TEXAS BAR FOUNDATION**

Mr. Jose Padilla with Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson LLP has been selected to serve as a 2021-2022 Texas Bar Foundation Nominating Chair for District 17, along with Carmen Huerta-Perez. Nominating Chairs for each of the 17 State Bar of Texas districts identify elite nominees to join the Foundation as Fellows. Nominating Chairs of the Foundation are selected for their outstanding professional achievements and their demonstrated commitment to the Texas Bar Foundation. Selection is a mark of distinction and recognition of Mr. Padilla's contributions to the legal profession.

Mr. Padilla has a strong background in tax and appellate law and is responsible for prosecuting suits filed on behalf of the El Paso Consolidated Tax Office, Hudspeth County, and Culberson County. He also serves on Linebarger's Litigation and Legal Standards Sub-committee and will ensure that all collection activities are compliant with all federal, state and local laws and regulations.

Mr. Padilla graduated from Bowie High School in El Paso and received a Bachelor of Arts degree in History/Political Science from Baylor University in 1997. He received his Juris Doctorate in 2001 from Texas Tech University, where he was a member of Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity and the Hispanic Law Student Association.

Mr. Padilla is a member of the El Paso Bar Association, the Mexican-American Bar Association, the West Texas Chapter of the Texas Association of Assessing Officers, and is a fellow and nominating chair of the Texas Bar Foundation.

Selection as a Fellow of the Texas Bar Foundation is restricted to members of the State Bar of Texas. Each year one-third of one percent of Texas attorneys are invited to become Fellows. Once nominees are selected, they must be elected by the Texas Bar Foundation Board of Trustees. Membership has grown from an initial 255 Charter Members in 1965 to more than 10,000 Fellows throughout Texas today. If you are a Fellow and have a recommendation for a new member, please contact your District Nominating Chair.

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