

ENM - Emerge New Mexico Alums in Public Office  
Over 125 currently in public leadership  
Date: October 2023

The Emerge New Mexico website is wiped clean of these names. These were the names listed in October 2023.  
This is not a complete list. New Elections and changes in office due to retirement or new appointments change this number. This is a very high number of positions to track.  
As a result of this research, Emerge NM is NO LONGER publishing their new alumnae to keep this information secret from the public.

U.S. Cabinet Secretary  
Secretary Deb Haaland  
U.S. Secretary of the Interior, ENM ’07

U.S.D.A  
Deputy Secretary of Agriculture  
Xochitl Torres Small, ENM ’18

Congress  
Representative Melanie Stansbury  
New Mexico House District 1, ENM ’17

Statewide Office  
Commissioner Stephanie Garcia Richard  
Commissioner of Public Lands, ENM ’08

Judicial - 35 Emerge Graduates			
	Supreme Court - 2	Court of Appeals - 7	Judges - 26
1	Chief Justice Shannon Bacon New Mexico Supreme Court Justice, ENM Founding Board Member	Judge Jennifer Attrep New Mexico Court of Appeals, Statewide, ENM ’15	Judge Maria Sanchez-Gagne 1st Judicial District, Div II, ENM ’16
2	Justice Julie Vargas New Mexico Supreme Court Justice, Statewide, ENM ’14	Judge Kristina Bogardus New Mexico Court of Appeals, Statewide, ENM ’17	Judge Shannon Broderick Bulman 1st Judicial District, Div III, ENM ’19
3		Judge Megan Duffy New Mexico Court of Appeals, Statewide, ENM ’18	Judge Sylvia Lamar 1st Judicial District, Div IV, ENM ’15
4		Judge Shammara Henderson New Mexico Court of Appeals, Statewide, ENM ’10	Judge Kathleen McGarry Ellenwood 1st Judicial District, Div X, ENM ’20
5		Judge Jacqueline Medina New Mexico Court of Appeals, Statewide, ENM ’14	Judge Catherine Begaye 2nd Judicial District, Children’s Court, ENM ’14
6		Judge Katherine Wray New Mexico Court of Appeals, Statewide, ENM ’22	Judge Beatrice Brickhouse 2nd Judicial District, Div IV, ENM ’10
7		Judge Jane Yohalem New Mexico Court of Appeals, Statewide, ENM ’18	Judge Nancy Franchini 2nd Judicial District, Div V, ENM ’14

8			<b>Judge Alma Roberson</b> 2nd Judicial District, Division VII, ENM '21
9			<b>Judge Lisa Chavez Ortega</b> 2nd Judicial District, Div XIII, ENM Bootcamp '19
10			<b>Judge Marie Ward</b> 2nd Judicial District, Div XIV, ENM '06
11			<b>Judge Erin O'Connell</b> 2nd Judicial District, Div XVII, ENM '19
12			<b>Judge Britt Baca-Miller</b> 2nd Judicial District, Div XX, ENM '21
13			<b>Judge Amber Chavez Baker</b> 2nd Judicial District, Div XXII, ENM Bootcamp '19
14			<b>Judge Debra Ramirez</b> 2nd Judicial District, Div XXIV, ENM '15
15			<b>Judge Jane Levy</b> 2nd Judicial District, Div XXV, ENM '17
16			<b>Judge Clara Moran</b> 2nd Judicial District, Div XXVIII, ENM '16
17			<b>Judge Jennifer DeLaney</b> 6th Judicial District, Div II, Chief Judge, ENM '21
18			<b>Judge Melissa Kennelly</b> 8th Judicial District, Div IX, ENM Bootcamp '19
19			<b>Judge Amanda Sanchez Villalobos</b> 13th Judicial District, Div IX, ENM Bootcamp '19
20			<b>Judge Rosemary Cosgrove Aguilar</b> Metropolitan Court, Bernalillo County, ENM '08
21			<b>Judge Brittany Maldonado Malott</b> Metropolitan Court, Bernalillo County, ENM '19
22			<b>Judge Claire McDaniels</b> Metropolitan Court, Bernalillo County, ENM '22
23			<b>Judge Courtney Weaks</b> Metropolitan Court, Bernalillo County, ENM '13
24			<b>Judge Rebecca Duffin</b> Magistrate Judge, Doña Ana County, ENM '22
25			<b>Judge Elizabeth Allen</b> Municipal Judge, District 32, ENM Bootcamp '18
26			<b>Judge Cristy Carbón-Gaul</b> Probate Court Judge, Bernalillo County, ENM Founding Board Member



25 Legislators are EMERGE graduates		
	State House - 20	State Senate - 5
1	Rep. D. Wonda Johnson House District 5, Gallup, ENM '14	Senator Shannon Pinto Senate District 3, Tohatchi, ENM '20
2	Rep. Patricia Roybal Caballero House District 13, Albuquerque, ENM '07	Senator Katy Duhigg Senate District 10, Albuquerque, ENM '11
3	Rep. Dayan “Day” Hochman-Vigil House District 15, Albuquerque, ENM '18	Senator Siah Correa Hemphill Senate District 28, Albuquerque, ENM '19
4	Rep. Janelle Anyanonu House District 19, Albuquerque, ENM '20	Senator Carrie Hamblen Senate District 38, Albuquerque, ENM '15
5	Rep. Meredith Dixon House District 20, Albuquerque, ENM '20	Senator Brenda McKenna Senate District 9, Corrales, ENM '21
6	Rep. Debbie Sariñana House District 21, Albuquerque, ENM '16	
7	Rep. Liz Thomson House District 24, Albuquerque, ENM '09	
8	Rep. Marian Matthews House District 27, Albuquerque, ENM Bootcamp '19	
9	Rep. Joy Garratt House District 29, Albuquerque, ENM '16	
10	Rep. Natalie Figueroa House District 30, Albuquerque, ENM '16	
11	Rep. Angelica Rubio House District 35, Las Cruces, ENM '13	
12	Rep. Joanne Ferrary House District 37, Las Cruces, ENM '13	
13	Rep. Kristina Ortez House District 42, Taos, ENM '20	
14	Rep. Christine Chandler House District 43, Los Alamos, ENM Bootcamp '18	
15	Rep. Kathleen Cates House District 44, Albuquerque, ENM '22	
16	Rep. Linda Serrato House District 45, Santa Fe, ENM '18	
17	Rep. Andrea Romero House District 46, Santa Fe, ENM '18	
18	Rep. Reena Szczepanski House District 47, Albuquerque, ENM '08	

19	<b>Rep. Tara Lujan</b> House District 48, Santa Fe, ENM '12	
20	<b>Rep. Charlotte Little</b> House District 68, Albuquerque, ENM '22	

*Municipal*

**Mayor Diana Murillo**

Mayor of Anthony, NM, ENM ’15

**Councilor Becky Corran**

Las Cruces City Councilor, District 5, ENM ’16

**Councilor Melanee Hand**

Los Alamos Town Councilor, ENM ’22

**Councilor Corillia Ortega**

Taos Town Councilor, ENM ’20

**Councilor Tessa Abeyta-Stuve**

Las Cruces City Councilor, District 2, ENM ’18

**Councilor Johana Bencomo**

Las Cruces City Councilor, District 4, ENM ’18

**Mayor Pro Tempore and City Councilor Kasandra Gandara**

Las Cruces City Councilor, District 1, ENM ’22

**Councilor Renee Villarreal**

Santa Fe County Councilor, ENM ’18

**Councilor Guadalupe Cano**

Silver City Town Councilor, District 4, ENM ’11

*County*

**Assessor Linda Gallegos**

Sandoval County Assessor, ENM Bootcamp ’18

**Clerk Linda Stover**

Bernalillo County Clerk, ENM Bootcamp ’19

**Clerk Amanda López Askin**

Doña Ana County Clerk, ENM ’19

**Clerk Katharine Clark**

Santa Fe County Clerk, ENM ’17

**Clerk Naomi Maestas**

Los Alamos County Clerk, ENM ’20

**Treasurer Nancy Bearce**

Bernalillo County Treasurer, ENM ’14

**Treasurer Jennifer Manzanares**

Santa Fe County Treasurer, ENM ’19

**Commissioner Adriann Barboa**

Bernalillo County Commissioner, District 3, ENM ’17

**Commissioner Diana Murillo-Trujillo**

Doña Ana County Commissioner, District 2, ENM ’15

**Commissioner Alicia Edwards**

Grant County Commissioner, District 3, ENM ’15

**Commissioner Sara Scott**

Los Alamos County Councilor, Position 1, ENM Bootcamp ’18

**Commissioner Katherine Bruch**

Sandoval County Commissioner, ENM Bootcamp ’18

**Commissioner Anna Hansen**

Santa Fe County Commissioner, District 2, ENM ’14

**Commissioner Anna Hamilton**

Santa Fe County Commissioner, District 4, ENM ’16

**Commissioner Anjanette Brush**

Taos County Commissioner, District 4, ENM ’19

*Public Regulation Commission - These are now Governor Appointed positions*

**Commissioner Cynthia Hall**

PRC District 1, ENM ’15

*Public Education Commission*

**Commissioner Melissa Armijo**

PEC District 1, ENM ’19

**Commissioner Glenna Voigt**

PEC District 3, ENM ’18

*School Board*

**President Yolanda Montoya Cordova**

APS Board of Education, District 1, ENM ’18

**Board Member Nancy Baca**

CNM Governing Board, District 5, ENM ’10

**Board President Teresa Tenorio**

Las Cruces School Board, District 4, ENM ’18

**Board Member Chris Bernstein**

Los Alamos School Board, District 3, ENM ’18

**Board Member Susan Quintana**

Pojoaque School Board, ENM ’21

**Board Member Arlean Murillo**

Gadsen Independent School District, Position 2, ENM ’19

**Board Member Mara Salcido**

Lovington School Board, District 3, ENM ’15

**Board Member Hilda Sanchez**

Roswell School Board, District 4, ENM ’17

**Trustee Jody Pugh**

Santa Fe Community College Board of Trustees, Position 3, ENM '18

**Board Member Carmen Gonzales**

Santa Fe Public Schools Board of Education, ENM '18

**Board Member Kate Noble**

Santa Fe Public Schools Board of Education, District 3, ENM '17

**Board Member Sascha Anderson**

Santa Fe Public Schools Board of Education, Position 5, ENM '19

**Board Member M. Paulene Abeyta**

To'hajiilee School Board, ENM '17

*Democratic Party*

**DPNM Chair Jessica Velasquez**

Democratic Party of New Mexico, ENM Bootcamp '18

**DPNM Treasurer Rayellen Smith**

Democratic Party of New Mexico, ENM '19

**Chair Flora Lucero**

Bernalillo County Democratic Party, Chair, ENM '19

**Vice Chair Songtree Pioche**

Native American Democratic Caucus, ENM '21

**Chair Estela Hernandez**

Doña Ana County Democratic Party, Chair, ENM '21

**Chair Alexandria Piland**

Sandoval County Democratic Party, Chair, ENM '19

**Chair Vicky Estrada-Bustillo**

Fuerzas Unidas Caucus, Chair, ENM '22

**President Barbara Jordan**

Sandoval County Federation of Democratic Women, President, ENM '21

*Middle Rio Grande Conservation District*

**Director Stephanie Russo Baca**

MRGCD Board Director, Position 5, ENM '19

*Soil and Water Conservation District*

**Supervisor Teresa Smith De Cherif**

Valencia Soil & Water Conservation District Board Supervisor, ENM '14



## Results from Election 2023

### 2023 Election Win

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Janelle Astorga – School Board, Albuquerque, District 1, ENM '23

Gabrielle Begay – School Board, Cobre Consolidated School Board, ENM '19

Heather Benavidez – School Board, Albuquerque, District 4, ENM '18

Johana Bencomo – City Council, Las Cruces, District 4, ENM '18

Pam Cordova – Soil and Water Supervisor, Valencia County Soil and Water Conservation Board, ENM '13

Kasandra Gandara – Mayor, Las Cruces, ENM '22

Carmen Gonzales – School Board, Santa Fe, District 1, ENM '19

Kristin Henderson – University Advisory Board, University of New Mexico, ENM '16

Nichole Rogers – City Council, Albuquerque, District 6, ENM '23

Hilda Sanchez – School Board, Roswell, District 4, ENM '17

Teresa Tenorio – School Board, Las Cruces, District 4, ENM '18

Ronalda Tome-Warito – School Board, Albuquerque, District 2, ENM 2023