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Office of the State Auditor

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State Auditor Colón Announces New Leadership Team

SANTA FE, NM – New Mexico State Auditor Brian Colón today announces the appointment of several key leadership positions at the Office of the New Mexico State Auditor. This announcement comes after his selection of Natalie Cordova, CPA as Deputy State Auditor.

“I am proud of the exceptional group of leaders who join Natalie and me at the Office of the State Auditor. These individuals mirror my passion for public service and bring high levels of expertise to their roles. I am confident in their abilities and trust they are focused in advancing the mission of Office of the State Auditor to fight fraud, waste, and abuse ensuring the interests of New Mexican taxpayers are at the forefront of the work we do.”

Please meet the Office of the State Auditor’s new leadership team:

Christopher S. Catechis, Chief of Staff

Chris Catechis, has over 20 years of direct management experience within governmental operations and private industry. Most recently, Chris served as the Director of the Environment Management System at Sandia National Laboratory. He has a passion for organizational development and strategic planning and is excited to join the OSA Team to assist the State Auditor in bringing accountability and stewardship for the taxpayers of New Mexico. Chris is a proud husband to his wife, Jennifer, and father to his 6 month old daughter, Ziadora.

Joseph C. Holloway, Esq., Chief Counsel

A Native New Mexican, born and raised in the International District of Albuquerque, Joseph Holloway continues to reside in Albuquerque with his wife. He is the proud father of two children currently attending college. Joseph is a veteran attorney with a strong background in public service having served as a prosecutor for both the First and Second Judicial District Attorney’s Office and an adjunct professor at the University School of Law. Joseph joins the Office of the State Auditor after previously simultaneously serving as General Counsel for the New Mexico State Fair and the New Mexico Livestock Board. He received his Bachelor Degree at the University of New Mexico in 1991 and his Juris Doctor at the UNM School of Law in 2009.

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Jesse D. Gallegos, Esq., Deputy Chief of Staff

An avid lover of the outdoors, Jesse Gallegos was born and raised in Santa Fe, where he continues to spend his weekends skiing or hiking the beautiful Sangre de Cristo Mountains. After graduating from Pomona College, in Claremont, California, Jesse returned to New Mexico to attend law school at the University of New Mexico where he served two years as an editor for the New Mexico Law Review. Jesse brings a wealth knowledge and expertise in the area of legal research and writing. He joins team OSA from private practice.

Stephanie W. Telles, CFE, Chief Government Accountability Officer

Always the optimist! Stephanie W. Telles, a native New Mexican, is the product of its public schools, its rich culture and history, and of course its green chile. She lives in Albuquerque's Westside with her educator husband, Adrian, and their two dogs, Ginny and Apollo. She is passionate about helping her community and spends much of her free time supporting local non-profits as a skilled fundraiser. She brings over 15 years of professional experience in the legal and banking industries, most recently as an Analyst for Wells Fargo Bank. She holds a Bachelor's degree in Philosophy and Government from New Mexico State University, an MBA from the University of New Mexico, and the Certified Fraud Examiner credential.

Antonio V. Corrales, Director of Constituent Services and Outreach

Born and raised in Penasco, Antonio V. Corrales is a passionate outdoorsman, mountain biker, and grill master. A proud Aggie, Antonio earned his degree from New Mexico State University and has since dedicated many years of service to state and local government having previously spent 7 years with the Office of the State Auditor. Most recently, Antonio served as the Quality Assurance and Risk Manager for Sandoval County. An animal lover, Antonio resides in Albuquerque with his dear dog, Duke.

See attached for a photo of the leadership team.

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