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My name is Ernesto Flores, I am running for the position of Director on the SAYLA Board. I am a Rio Grande Valley native, and a Texas Tech Law Alumnus. I am an associate attorney at Person, Mohrer, Morales, Boddy, Garcia & Gutierrez, PLLC, where my practice is dedicated to representing landowners in a variety of areas, including energy leasing, oil and gas lease audits, lease maintenance, and representation in condemnation proceedings. Away from work, I am an active foodie, hiker, and trail cyclist.

After moving from Lubbock to San Antonio, one of the most challenging obstacles I faced during my first year as an attorney was networking and meeting new people in the legal community. Through SAYLA I was able to meet colleagues, mentors, and judges that I could reach out to for both professional advice and general recommendations. As a part of the SAYLA Board of Directors, I hope to help new lawyers, especially those that are new to San Antonio, feel welcomed, become part of a supportive peer network, and have opportunities that encourage giving back to the community. Prior to this past year, I attended most of the SAYLA events where I was able to meet great mentors and colleagues that I now call friends. COVID placed a big halt on networking for new lawyers, and as a part of the Board, addressing this issue would be my top priority.