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Texas Office of the Attorney General Names Harlingen Child Support Employee Assistant Attorney General of the Year

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Gabriel Guzman singled out as region's top attorney for dedication to Texas children

Harlingen – The Office of the Attorney General recognized Gabriel Guzman, an Assistant Attorney General (AAG) in the Child Support Division's Harlingen office, for his commitment to Texas children. Guzman was named Assistant Attorney General of the Year for the Child Support Division's Region 3. He was presented with the award on Wednesday, July 26, 2023, at the Statewide Assistant Attorneys General Conference.

"I am honored to commend Gabriel for his unwavering commitment and tireless efforts in support of Texas children and families," Angela Colmenero, Provisional Attorney General said. "His approach exemplifies the best of public service and is an inspiration to us all. I extend my heartfelt gratitude to Gabriel for selflessly answering the call to serve the people of Texas."

One Assistant Attorney General was selected for this honor from each of the state's ten child support field regions, along with an Assistant Attorney General from the Child Support Division State Office in Austin. Honorees are chosen based upon recommendations from their peers and supervisors, with a particular focus on employees who are willing to go beyond their normal duties to serve Texas children. Each recipient demonstrates a desire to serve Texas families, help their colleagues and enhance the Attorney General's Child Support Division.

Guzman, who joined the Office of the Attorney General in 2020, represents the State of Texas in legal actions to establish paternity between children of unmarried parents and their biological fathers. He also works to establish, enforce, and modify court orders that require parents to provide child support, medical support and dental support.

A graduate of the Texas Southern University Thurgood Marshall School of Law, Guzman was chosen to be the region's Assistant Attorney General of the Year for being an exemplary attorney, willing trainer and a strong leader. He has demonstrated the willingness to take on any task and provide wise legal direction to his co-workers. He has earned the reputation as a reliable leader.

"It is a real pleasure to watch Gabriel become such an important and vital part of not only our Harlingen office, but Region 3. It is clear that he strives to serve the families of Texas in the best possible way: with not only sound legal practice but empathy. I am thankful that he is part of our

team and look forward to his continued success with our agency," said Joshua Shamburger, Region 3 Managing Attorney.

The Attorney General's Child Support Division offers an array of services to help families, including locating absent parents; establishing paternity for children born to unmarried parents; establishing, enforcing and modifying child and medical support orders; and collecting and distributing child support payments.

For more information about the Office of the Attorney General and the child support services it offers, call (800) 252-8014 or visit the agency's website at www.texasattorneygeneral.gov.

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