



# State of New Mexico

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## **Governor Bill Richardson Announces Departure of Chief Legal Counsel**

SANTA FE - Governor Bill Richardson today announced that Geno Zamora, the Governor's Chief Legal Counsel, will be leaving his office to join the Santa Fe law offices of Gallagher & Kennedy. Zamora, who began his service to the Governor during the Administration's transition period in 2002, managed the general counsels in all state executive agencies and successfully represented the Governor before the New Mexico Supreme Court. In addition to working with the Governor to pass a comprehensive crime package during the last four legislative sessions, he spearheaded the Governor's "Year of the Judiciary" initiative.

"I want to thank Geno Zamora for his loyalty and hard work as my Chief Counsel," said Governor Richardson. "Geno fought hard for stronger DWI and domestic violence laws while providing my Administration with the legal advice necessary to help us move New Mexico forward."

"I am grateful to Governor Richardson for the amazing opportunity to work hard and improve the lives of all New Mexicans," said Zamora. "I have enjoyed my prior experience with the Attorney General's office and my time since 2003 as the Chief Counsel in the Governor's office. I look forward to continuing my service to the people of New Mexico."

Governor Richardson will announce his choice of Chief Legal Counsel to replace Zamora next week.

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