

Overview Backup

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Eric Flores Can't Be Trusted To Do What's Right For South Texas, Because He Has Spent His Career Defending Violent Criminals And Even An Accused Child Predator Who Made His Students Exercise Naked.

Flores Defended An Accused Violent Criminal Charged With Assaulting A Woman And Secured A Plea Deal That Avoided Jail Time For Him

Eric Flores Was Retained As Defense Counsel For Renato Villalon On Two Felonies For Assault Of A Family/Household Member And Unlawful Restraint With Exposure To Serious Bodily Injury.

Party Information			
Defendant	VILLALON, RENATO	Attorneys	Eric Daniel Flores Retained 956-318-0555(W)
Plaintiff	THE STATE OF TEXAS		
Charge Information			
Charges: VILLALON, RENATO	Statute	Level	Date
1. ASSAULT FAMILY/HOUSEHOLD MEMBER W/PEV CONV 1A	22.01(b)(2)(A)	Felony 3rd Degree	12/01/2019
2. Unlawful Restraint: Expose to SBI	20.02(c)(2)(A)	Felony 3rd Degree	12/01/2019

[Hidalgo County Judicial District Court, Case #CR-4640-18-F, filed 3/10/20]

2020: Count One Of The Indictment Against Villalon Said He Hit A Woman With Whom He Had A Dating Relationship With His Hand And Was Previously Convicted Under The Same Statute.

Count one of the indictment against Renato Villalon said “on or about the 1st day of December, 2019, and before the presentment of this indictment, in Hidalgo County, Texas, did then and there intentionally, knowingly, or recklessly cause bodily injury to Cynthia Barragan, person with whom the defendant had or had had dating relationship, as described by Section 71.0021(b), of the Texas Family Code, by striking her with his hand, and before the commission of the aforesaid offense, the defendant had previously been convicted of an offense under Chapter 22 of the Texas Penal Code against person with whom the defendant had or had had dating relationship.” [Hidalgo County Judicial District Court, Case #CR-4640-18-F, Indictment, filed 3/10/20]

2020: Count Two Of The Indictment Against Villalon Said He Restrained The Woman Without Her Consent Causing “Substantial Risk Of Serious Bodily Injury.”

Count two of the indictment against Renato Villalon said “on or about the 1st day of December, 2019, and before the presentment of this indictment, in Hidalgo County, Texas, did did [sic] then and there intentionally, knowingly, by force or intimidation, restrain Cynthia Barragan, without her consent. by restricting the movements of the said Cynthia Barragan, and the defendant did then and there recklessly expose the said Cynthia Barragan to substantial risk of serious bodily injury by confining her or moving her from one place to another.” [Hidalgo County Judicial District Court, Case #CR-4640-18-F, Indictment, filed 3/10/20]

2020: While Flores Was Defense Counsel, Villalon Agreed To A Plea Bargain Where He Received Deferred Prosecution On Community Supervision For Five Years. [Hidalgo County Judicial District Court, Case #CR-4640-18-F, Terms of Plea Bargain And Agreed Punishment Recommendation and Postconviction Waivers, filed 11/6/20]

Eric Flores Defended A Man On Felony Assault For Choking A Woman He Was Dating And A Separate Misdemeanor, Receiving A Plea Bargain Where He Pleaded Guilty To Only The Misdemeanor For Driving Her Car Without Permission And Received Deferred Prosecution

Eric Flores Was Retained As Defense Counsel For Guadalupe Lopez Jr. On A Felony For Assault Causing Bodily Injury Of A Family Member And Misdemeanor For Unauthorized Use Of A Vehicle.

5' 00" (152.4 CM) 175 LBS (79.4 KG) DOB: 01/15/1990 SSN: 123-45-6789	21/03 33 D (91.1) 2024	405/58/3053 DOB
[Hidalgo County Judicial District Court, Case #CR-5352-24-A, filed 9/12/24]		

2024: Count One Of The Indictment Against Lopez Said He Choked A Woman With Whom He Had A Dating Relationship. Count one of the indictment against Guadalupe Lopez Jr. said “on or about the 29th day of October 2023, and before the presentment pf this indictment, in Hidalgo County, Texas, did then and there intentionally, knowingly, or recklessly cause bodily injury to Jessica Canales, person with whom the defendant had or had had dating relationship as described by Section 1.0021(b) Of the Texas Family Code, by intentionally, knowingly, or recklessly impeding the normal breathing or circulation of the blood of Jessica Canales by applying pressure to the throat or neck of Jessica Canales.” [Hidalgo County Judicial District Court, Case #CR-5352-24-A, Indictment, filed 9/12/24]

2024: Count Two Of The Indictment Against Lopez Said He Operated A Vehicle Owned By The Woman Without Her Consent. Count two of the indictment against Guadalupe Lopez Jr. said “on or about the 29th day of October, 2023, and before the presentment of this indictment, in Hidalgo County, Texas, did then and there intentionally or knowingly operate motor—propelled vehicle, to—wit: an automobile, without the effective consent of Jessica Canales, the owner thereof.” [Hidalgo County Judicial District Court, Case #CR-5352-24-A, Indictment, filed 9/12/24]

December 2025: While Flores Was Defense Counsel, Lopez Agreed To A Plea Bargain Where He Pleaded Guilty To The Misdemeanor And Received Deferred Prosecution With Two Years Of Community Supervision. [Hidalgo County Judicial District Court, Case #CR-4640-18-F, Judgment of Conviction by Court, filed 12/2/25]

2025: The Father Of A High School Student Filed Suit On Behalf Of His Son Alleging Football Coach Ernie Alonzo, Who Also Was A Certified Teacher, “Forced His Son To Exercise In The Nude” In What Allegedly Wasn’t An Isolated Incident

September 2025: Raul Rocha, Father Of High School Student “N.R.,” Filed A Suit “Alleging A Football Coach Forced His Son To Exercise While Naked As A Form Of Punishment And Humiliation.” “The father of a South Texas high schooler has filed a lawsuit alleging a football coach forced his son to exercise while naked as a form of punishment and humiliation. Edinburg resident Raul Rocha filed the suit on behalf of his son — identified in court documents only as ‘N.R.’ — in the 476th State District Court in Hidalgo County on September 16.” [MySA, 11/6/25]

- **The Lawsuit Was “Seeking Between \$250,000 And \$1 Million In Damages.”** "Raul Rocha, the parent of the student named only as N.R., is seeking damages for medical expenses and “emotional

distress,” his lawyer, Javier Peña, told Raw Story. Rocha is seeking between \$250,000 and \$1 million in damages, according to the lawsuit.” [Raw Story, [2/16/26](#)]

The Lawsuit Alleged Coach Ernie Alonzo “Forced His Son To Exercise In The Nude” And “There Were ‘Prior Complaints’ Against Alonzo And That He Had A Checkered History, Including At Another School District.” “In the suit, Rocha alleges that in 2024, Ernie Alonzo — who was then the head football coach at Robert Vela High School in Edinburg — forced his son to exercise in the nude, and that an investigation into the alleged incident was later covered up by powerful political players within the school district, according to court documents. [...] The lawsuit further alleges that the incident wasn’t a one-off — that there were ‘prior complaints’ against Alonzo and that he had a checkered history, including at another school district, prior to his hiring at Edinburg for the 2024- 25 academic year.” [MySA, [11/6/25](#)]

- **Ernesto Alonzo Was A Certified Teacher With The Texas Education Agency In The Fields Of Physical Education, Health, And Vocational Trades.**

Texas Educator Certificate

[Click here to go to EDUCATOR SANCTION HISTORY section](#)

This certifies that

Ernesto Alonzo

*has fulfilled requirements of state law and regulations of the
State Board for Educator Certification
and is hereby authorized to perform duties as designated below:*

STANDARD			
Description	Effective Date	Expiration Date	Status
Classroom Teacher			
Physical Education Grades (EC-12)	09/01/2025	08/31/2031	Valid
Secondary Health Education Grades (6-12)	09/01/2025	08/31/2031	Valid
Vocational Trades & Industry Pre- Employment Grades (6-12)	09/01/2025	08/31/2031	Valid
Note: This individual is currently under review by the TEA Educator Investigations Division.			
CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY APPROVALS			
<i>Approval does not necessarily mean that the individual is certified for the area(s) listed below.</i>			
Description	Date of Approval		
Law Enforcement/Criminal Justice	06/14/1999		

[Texas Education Agency, accessed [1/29/26](#)]

- **Texas Required “Coaches To Be Certified Teachers.”** “Texas is unique in that it requires their coaches to be certified teachers. If you have not yet gotten your Texas teaching certification, please visit the Texas Education Agency (TEA) website for more information. One of our THSCA member services is an online job board, if you choose to become a THSCA member you will be given access to the job board as well as the resume posting board.” [Texas High School Coaches Association, accessed [1/29/26](#)]

The Lawsuit Said “That An Investigation Into The Alleged Incident Was Later Covered Up By Powerful Political Players Within The School District” And The Coach’s History Was “Intentionally Ignored And Covered Up By Higher-Ups.” “In the suit, Rocha alleges that in 2024, Ernie Alonzo — who was then the head football coach at Robert Vela High School in Edinburg — forced his son to exercise in the nude, and that an investigation into the alleged incident was later covered up by powerful political players within the school district, according to court documents. [...] That history was

allegedly intentionally ignored and covered up by higher-ups, including Oscar Salinas, the district's athletic director, and Vela principal Michele Peña." [MySA, [11/6/25](#)]

- **The Attorney For The Victim And His Son Said “That As Many As Four More Students May Have Been Victimized In The Same Incident,” Which School Officials Admitted In A Meeting.** “The lawsuit further alleges that an investigation conducted by the district’s police department was later quashed, despite an investigator allegedly finding ‘multiple other victims.’ [...] Javier Peña, the Edinburg attorney representing Rocha and his son, told MySA that as many as four more students may have been victimized in the same incident. When Pena and his clients met informally with school officials — including administrators, school board trustees and attorneys — last December, they allegedly admitted that the incident occurred and even apologized.” [MySA, [11/6/25](#)]

As Attorney For The School District, Eric Flores Denied That Wrongdoing Occurred, Disputed The Allegations, And Defended The Coach For Only Telling Players To Do Drills In The Locker Room As Punishment

Eric Flores Represented The School District In The Dispute, Denying That “Wrongdoing Occurred” And Disputing The Allegations. “In a statement to MySA on Thursday, the school district’s attorney reiterated that no wrongdoing occurred. ‘The District disputes the allegations and stands by the integrity, professionalism, and dedication of its employees,’ attorney Eric D. Flores said. Flores serves as an attorney with O’Hanlon, Demerath & Castillo, a law firm with offices in Austin, San Antonio and the Rio Grande Valley that represents school districts around the state. ‘Our focus remains on serving our students and families with the highest standards of safety, respect, and excellence in education,’ Flores further said.” [MySA, [11/6/25](#)]

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The School District Admitted That The Coach Made Players Do Drills In The Locker Room As Discipline But “Did Not Stay To Ensure The Football Players Did The Drill.” “But in its court filings, the school district denies that any wrongdoing occurred. The district filed its first response to the lawsuit on October 2. In it, the district admits that Alonzo disciplined ‘several football players for taking too long to get to their lunch period.’ However, that punishment only involved Alonzo telling the players to do ‘up/downs’ in the locker room. And he ‘did not stay to ensure the football players did the drill.’ The response further claims that disciplining students falls within his scope of duties and that his verbal instructions did not involve ‘excessive force.’” [MySA, [11/6/25](#)]

Vicente Gonzalez Will Always Put South Texas First And Will Work With Democrats And Republicans To Deliver Real Results.

Gonzalez Was Ranked The Second Most Bipartisan Texas Democrat In Congress

Lugar Center: Gonzalez Was Ranked The Second Most Bipartisan Texas Democrat In Congress, And 41st Most Bipartisan Member Of Congress Overall. [Lugar Center – McCourt School of Bipartisan Index, 118th Congress First Session (2023) Scores, accessed [7/10/26](#)]

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Flores Message #1 Backup

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As An Assistant U.S. Attorney, Flores Let Dangerous Criminals Get Off With A Slap On The Wrist.

Backup below.

He Agreed To Lower The Punishment Of A Top Ten Most Wanted Sex Offender Who Had Sexually Assaulted A Four-Year-Old Girl And Produced Child Pornography.

As Assistant U.S. Attorney, Eric Flores Agreed To A Plea Deal With Humberto Acosta, Under Which Flores Recommended To Lower The Offense Level Of Producing Child Pornography By Two Offense Levels And Dismiss A Charge For Failing To Register As A Sex Offender

Eric Flores Was Lead Attorney For The U.S. Justice Department In The Case Filed Against Humberto Acosta On Counts Of Producing Child Porn And Failing To Register As A Sex Offender. [U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Texas, Case #7:23-cr-00344-1, filed 3/8/23]

Pending Counts Production of child pornography. (2s) Highest Offense Level (Opening) Felony	Disposition 260 months custody BOP, to run concurrently with other pending state matters. Lifetime SRT imposed, to comply with all standard terms and conditions. Deft to comply with all conditions related to sex offender fully set out in the appendix. \$100 S/A, Fine Waived. Deft advised of right to appeal. The Court not addressing restitution at this time.
Terminated Counts FAILURE TO REGISTER AS A SEX OFFENDER (1) FAILURE TO REGISTER AS A SEX OFFENDER (1s) Highest Offense Level (Terminated) Felony	Disposition Dismissed on Government's oral motion. Dismissed on Government's oral motion.
Complaints 18:2250.F, 18:2250.F	Disposition

Plaintiff USA	represented by Alexa Dinsmore Parcell U.S. Attorney's Office 1701 W. Bus. Hwy. 83 Ste 600 McAllen, TX 78501 956-992-9385 Email: alexa.parcell@usdoj.gov LEAD ATTORNEY ATTORNEY TO BE NOTICED Eric Daniel Flores O'Hanlon Demerath Castillo 426 W Caffery Ave Pharr, TX 78577 512-494-9949 Email: EFlores@808West.com TERMINATED: 01/08/2025 LEAD ATTORNEY ATTORNEY TO BE NOTICED Designation: Retained
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In A Plea Agreement Signed By Flores, Acosta Pleaded Guilty To The Count Of Producing Child Pornography, And The Government Recommended The Offense Level Be Decreased By 2 Levels If Accosta Accepted Responsibility. “RE-ARRAIGNMENT Minute Entry for proceedings held before Magistrate Judge J. Scott Hacker on 4/25/2024 as to Humberto Acosta. Defendant placed under oath. Defendant consented to the administration of the Rule 11 colloquy by an entry of a guilty plea before the Magistrate Judge. Defendant pleaded Guilty to Count(s) 2 of the Superseding Indictment. Written plea agreement filed. Count 1 to be dismissed at time of sentencing. Defendant remanded to the custody of the U.S. Marshals Service. Appearances: Eric Flores, AUSA; Oscar Flores for Defendant. (USPO: Melinda Tobias) (ERO: Mayra Guillen) (Interpreter: Maria E. Barrett, not used) (DUSM: Edgar Hernandez) (Time in Court 9:26 - 9:52) (df7) (Entered: 04/25/2024)” [U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Texas, Case #7:23-cr-00344-1, Plea Agreement filed 4/25/24]

04/25/2024	81	PLEA AGREEMENT as to Humberto Acosta, filed. (df7) (Entered: 04/25/2024)
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Acosta’s Charge For Failure To Register As A Sex Offender Was “Dismissed On Government’s Oral Motion.” [U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Texas, Case #7:23-cr-00344-1, filed 3/8/23]

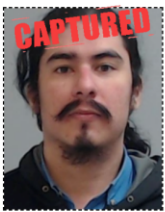
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Complaints 18:2250.F, 18:2250.F	Disposition

Acosta Was Sentenced To 21 Years And 8 Months In Federal Prison Served Concurrently With Pending State Charges. [U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Texas, Case #7:23-cr-00344-1, filed 3/8/23]

Acosta Was A Top 10 Most Wanted Sex Offender With The Texas Department Of Public Safety After He Was Charged In 2020 For The Aggravated Assault Of A 4-Year-Old Girl And Sentenced To Probation

Acosta Was A Top 10 Most Wanted Sex Offender With The Texas Department of Public Safety.

Texas 10 Most Wanted Sex Offender Details
Tuesday, 3/10/2026




Humberto Carreon Acosta
Up To \$3,000 Reward

RACE: White (Hispanic) SEX: Male DOB: 8/16/1988
HEIGHT: 5'10" WEIGHT: 195
AKA: Humberto Acosta Carreon, Humberto Carren Acosta

SMT: N/A

FBI #: 394181LC4
SID #: TX07677136
TDC #: 02307856
WANTED Aggravated Sexual Assault of a Child, Possession of Child Pornography,
FOR: Failure to Register as a Sex Offender

CCH: Aggravated Assault with a Deadly Weapon, Aggravated Sexual Assault of
a Child, Possession of a Controlled Substance, and Possession of
Marijuana

DATE 1/31/2023
CAPTURED:
CAPTURE Mission, Texas
LOCATION:
CAPTURING U.S. Border Patrol, U.S. Marshals Gulf Coast Violent Offenders Fugitive
AGENCY: Task Force

CAUTION: Subject should be considered ARMED and DANGEROUS!

[Texas Department of Public Safety, accessed 3/16/26]

2020: Acosta Was Convicted Of Aggravated Sexual Assault Of A Four-Year-Old Girl And Sentenced To 10 Years Probation. “Humberto ACOSTA, a Texas 10 Most Wanted Sex Offender, was captured on January 31, 2023, in Mission, Texas. Working off investigative information, members of the U.S. Marshals Gulf Coast Violent Offenders Fugitive Task Force, along with U.S. Border Patrol, located and arrested ACOSTA. In 2020, ACOSTA was convicted of Aggravated Sexual Assault of a Child after an incident involving a four-year-old girl. He subsequently was sentenced to 10 years’ probation.” [Texas Department of Public Safety, accessed 3/16/26]

Acosta Was “Wanted Since December 3, 2020, After The Hidalgo County Sheriff’s Office Issued A Warrant For His Arrest For Aggravated Sexual Assault Of A Child.” “ACOSTA had been wanted



since December 3, 2020, after the Hidalgo County Sheriff's Office issued a warrant for his arrest for Aggravated Sexual Assault of a Child." [Texas Department of Public Safety, accessed [3/16/26](#)]

The Alamo Police Department Issued A Warrant For Acosta's Arrest For Possessing Child Pornography, And The Pharr PD Wanted Him For Failing To Register As A Sex Offender. "On December 23, 2020, the Alamo Police Department issued a warrant for his arrest for Possession of Child Pornography. In addition, on May 17, 2021, the Pharr Police Department issued a warrant for his arrest for Failure to Register as a Sex Offender." [Texas Department of Public Safety, accessed [3/16/26](#)]

Flores Even Successfully Cut A Deal That Reduced The Punishment For Another Pedophile Who Possessed Child Porn.

As Assistant U.S. Attorney, Eric Flores Agreed To A Plea Deal In The Case Against Jose Hinojosa On Four Counts For Child Pornography And Firearms Dealing, Where A Smuggling Charge Was Dismissed And Lower Level Offenses Were Recommended On Sentencing

Eric Flores Was Lead Attorney For The U.S. Justice Department In The Case Filed Against Jose Angel Hinojosa Jr. For Having Child Pornography, Dealing Firearms, Making False Statements, And Smuggling Goods. [U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Texas, Case #7:22-cr-01236-1, filed 7/26/22]

Defendant (1) Jose Angel Hinojosa, Jr. DEFT. RELEASED ON A \$30,000 BOND WITH \$10,000 DEPOSIT TERMINATED: 11/21/2024	represented by Crispin C.J. Quintanilla , III Attorney at Law 5526 N. 10th Street McAllen, TX 78504 956-682-9477 Email: cj@quintanilla-law.com LEAD ATTORNEY ATTORNEY TO BE NOTICED Designation: Retained Miguel Arturo Andres Nogueras Office of the Federal Public Defender 1701 W Bus Hwy 83 Ste 405 McAllen, TX 78501 956-630-2995 Fax: 956-631-8647 Email: miguel_nogueras@fd.org TERMINATED: 07/06/2022 ATTORNEY TO BE NOTICED Designation: Public Defender or Community Defender Appointment
Pending Counts UNLAWFULLY DEALING IN, IMPORTING, OR MANUFACTURING FIREARMS. (1s) FALSE STATEMENTS DURING A PURCHASE OF A FIREARM. (2s) SMUGGLING GOODS FROM THE UNITED STATES (3s) ACTIVITIES RE MATERIAL CONSTITUTING/CONTAINING CHILD PORNOGRAPHY (4s)	Disposition Sixty (60) months custody of the Bureau of Prisons and three (3) years of supervised release term with special conditions noted on page 23 of the Final Presentence Report to run concurrent with Counts 2s and 4s; \$100 special assessment and waived fine; Restitution in the amount of \$3,000 to each of the victims of the Tara series and Sweet White Sugar Series payable in equal monthly installments, commencing 60 days upon his release from custody and any amount unpaid due and owing 60 days prior to the expiration of his supervised release term. One hundred and twenty (120) months custody of the Bureau of Prisons and three (3) years of supervised release term with special conditions noted on page 23 of the Final Presentence Report to run concurrent with Counts 1s and 4s; \$100 special assessment and waived fine; Restitution in the amount of \$3,000 to each of the victims of the Tara series and Sweet White Sugar Series payable in equal monthly installments, commencing 60 days upon his release from custody and any amount unpaid due and owing 60 days prior to the expiration of his supervised release term. Dismissed on Government's oral motion One hundred and twenty (120) months custody of the Bureau of Prisons and five (5) years of supervised release term with special conditions noted on page 23 of the Final Presentence Report to run concurrent with Counts 1s and 2s; \$100 special assessment and waived fine; Restitution in the amount of \$3,000 to each of the victims of the Tara series and Sweet White Sugar Series payable in equal monthly installments, commencing 60 days upon his release from custody and any amount unpaid due and owing 60 days prior to the expiration of his supervised release term.

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Hinojosa Had The Charge Of Smuggling Goods From The United States Dismissed, As Well As The Original Indictment's Charges For Dealing Firearms And Making False Statements In The Purchase Of A Firearm. U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Texas, Case #7:22-cr-01236-1, filed 7/26/22]

Pending Counts

UNLAWFULLY DEALING IN, IMPORTING, OR MANUFACTURING
FIREARMS.
(1s)

FALSE STATEMENTS DURING A PURCHASE OF A FIREARM.
(2s)

SMUGGLING GOODS FROM THE UNITED STATES
(3s)

ACTIVITIES RE MATERIAL CONSTITUTING/CONTAINING CHILD
PORNOGRAPHY
(4s)

Disposition

Sixty (60) months custody of the Bureau of Prisons and three (3) years of supervised release term with special conditions noted on page 23 of the Final Presentence Report to run concurrent with Counts 2s and 4s; \$100 special assessment and waived fine; Restitution in the amount of \$3,000 to each of the victims of the Tara series and Sweet White Sugar Series payable in equal monthly installments, commencing 60 days upon his release from custody and any amount unpaid due and owing 60 days prior to the expiration of his supervised release term.

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On The Three Counts To Which He Pleaded Guilty, Hinojosa Was Sentenced To A Total Of 10 Years In Prison With Five Years Of Supervised Release And Ordered To Pay Restitution To The Child Pornography Victims. [U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Texas, Case #7:22-cr-01236-1, filed 7/26/22]

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(1s)

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(2s)

SMUGGLING GOODS FROM THE UNITED STATES
(3s)

ACTIVITIES RE MATERIAL CONSTITUTING/CONTAINING CHILD PORNOGRAPHY
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Hinojosa Pleaded Guilty To Straw Purchasing Over 40 Firearms To Smuggle Into Mexico, And Authorities Found Child Sexual Abuse Material On His Cell Phone During The Investigation, For Which He Faced Up To 20 Years In Prison

Hinojosa Pleaded Guilty To Straw Purchasing Over 40 Firearms To Smuggle Into Mexico And “Possessing Child Sexual Abuse Material On His Cellphone.” “A South Texas man pleaded guilty to straw purchasing and possessing child sexual abuse material on his cellphone following an investigation conducted by Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives. Jose Angel Hinojosa Jr., 36, of Weslaco, pleaded guilty Jan. 19 before U.S. District Judge John D. Rainey. As part of his plea, Hinojosa admitted to attempting to smuggle more than 40 firearms. According to court documents, from June 5, 2016, through May 9, 2022, Hinojosa engaged in straw purchasing firearms from an online gun broker. He then arranged for the weapons to be exported into Mexico. Law enforcement officials were able to locate several weapons tied to Hinojosa.” [U.S. Department of Justice via US Fed News, [1/19/24](#)]

When Investigating Hinojosa On Firearms Charges, Federal Authorities “Found Several Videos On His Phone Showing Minors Engaging In Sexual Conduct.” “During the firearms investigation, authorities also learned of possible crimes involving child sexual abuse material. They executed search warrants and found several videos on his phone showing minors engaging in sexual conduct. Hinojosa admitted to receiving child sexual abuse material on his cellphone from various third parties.” [U.S. Department of Justice via US Fed News, [1/19/24](#)]

Flores Prosecuted The Case, For Which Hinojosa Faced Up To 20 Years In Federal Prison. “Rainey has set sentencing for April 24. At that time, Hinojosa faces up to 20 years in federal prison and a possible \$250,000 fine. Hinojosa was permitted to remain on bond pending sentencing. Assistant U.S. Attorney for the Southern District of Texas Eric D. Flores is prosecuting the case.” [U.S. Department of Justice via US Fed News, [1/19/24](#)]

Flores Message #2 Backup

Flores made a fortune defending violent criminals. He defended men charged with violently assaulting, choking, and hitting their girlfriends, and fought to get their charges dismissed. He even defended a high school coach who allegedly forced several teenage students to exercise naked as a form of punishment, defending his actions by saying the school district and coach did nothing wrong, even as lawyers compared the school district to "Epstein's island."

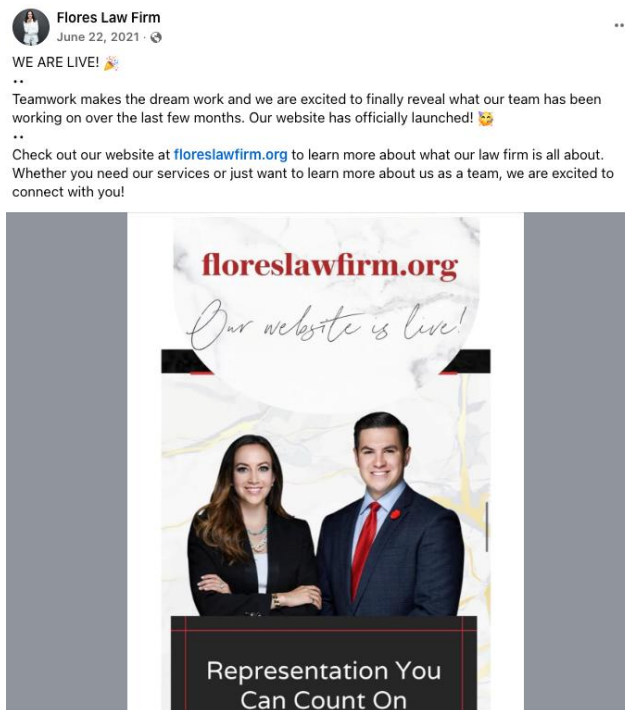
Flores Made A Fortune Defending Violent Criminals. He Defended Men Charged With Violently Assaulting, Choking, And Hitting Their Girlfriends, And Fought To Get Their Charges Dismissed.

2025: Eric Flores Reported That His Wife Had An Interest Of Up To \$500,000 In The Flores Law Firm

2025: Flores Reported That His Spouse Had \$250,001-\$500,000 In Assets In The Flores Law Firm.
[Clerk of the U.S. House of Representatives, Financial Disclosure Report, filed 11/12/25]

Eric Flores And His Wife Victoria Both Served As Attorneys At Law At Flores Law Firm

2021: Flores Law Firm Posted That Its Website Was Live With A Photo Of Eric And Victoria Flores.



[Facebook, Flores Law Firm, 6/22/21]

While Eric Flores Was Defense Counsel, His Defendant Received Deferred Prosecution For Felony Aggravated Assault Against A Woman After Threatening Her With A Motor Vehicle, Which He Violated By Getting A DWI And Evading Arrest

Eric Flores Was Retained As Defense Counsel For Ernesto Aguayo In His Felony Case For Aggravated Assault With A Deadly Weapon.



Party Information			
Defendant	AGUAYO, ERNESTO	Attorneys	JESUS CONTRERAS Retained 956-502-5777(W)
Plaintiff	THE STATE OF TEXAS	Eric Daniel Flores Retained 956-916-0685(W)	
Charge Information			
Charges: AGUAYO, ERNESTO 1. AGG ASSAULT W/DEADLY WEAPON	Statute 22.02(A)(2)	Level Felony 2nd Degree	Date 11/10/2018

[Hidalgo County Judicial District Court, Case #CR-0963-19-H, filed 3/19/19]

March 2019: Aguayo Was Indicted For An Incident Where He Threatened A Woman “With Imminent Bodily Injury And Did Then And There Use Or Exhibit Deadly Weapon, To—Wit: A Motor Vehicle.” The indictment against Ernesto Aguayo said “on or about the 10th day of November A.D., 2018, and before the presentment of this indictment, in Hidalgo County, Texas, did then and there intentionally or knowingly threaten Samantha Ruiz with imminent bodily injury and did then and there use or exhibit deadly weapon, to—wit: a motor vehicle, during the commission of said assault.” [Hidalgo County Judicial District Court, Case #CR-0963-19-H, Indictment, filed 3/19/19]

October 2019: When Flores Was Defense Counsel For Aguayo, He Pleaded Guilty Under A Plea Agreement Where He Received Deferred Prosecution And Five Years Of Community Supervision.

ORDER OF DEFERRED ADJUDICATION & COMMUNITY SUPERVISION

DATE OF ORDER: October 30, 2019
JUDGE PRESIDING: LETICIA LOPEZ
COURT REPORTER: DIANA PEREIRA
ATTORNEY FOR THE STATE: VERONICA SEPULVED-MARTINEZ
ATTORNEY FOR THE DEFENDANT: ERIC DANIEL FLORES
OFFENSE CODE: 13150005
OFFENSE: AGG ASSAULT W/DEADLY WEAPON,
AS CHARGED IN THE INDICTMENT
DATE OF OFFENSE: NOVEMBER 10, 2018
DEGREE OF OFFENSE: FELONY 2ND DEGREE
STATUTE FOR OFFENSE: 22.02(A)(2)
PUNISHMENT RANGE: 2-20 YEARS IN PRISON/MAX \$10,000
(Including enhancements if any): FINE
CHARGING INSTRUMENT: INDICTMENT or INFORMATION
TERMS OF PLEA AGREEMENT OR FINDINGS OF THE COURT, TO WIT:
PLEA TO OFFENSE: GUILTY
COMMUNITY SUPERVISION PERIOD: FIVE (5) YEARS
PLEA TO ENHANCEMENT(S): NONE
FINDING TO ENHANCEMENT(S): NONE
DEADLY WEAPON FINDING: NONE
DISMISS: NONE
TIME SPENT IN JAIL: TWO (2) DAYS
FINE: \$500.00
RESTITUTION: NONE
COURT COSTS: \$ 263⁰⁰

[Hidalgo County Judicial District Court, Case #CR-0963-19-H, Order of Deferred Adjudication & Community Supervision, filed 10/30/19]



March 2020: The Prosecution Moved To Proceed With A Case Against Aguayo For Violating Seven Conditions Of His Deferred Adjudication Agreement, Including Intoxication Assault, Evading Arrest, And Driving While Intoxicated. [Hidalgo County Judicial District Court, Case #CR-0963-19-H, State’s Motion for Adjudication of Guilt, filed [5/14/20](#)]

June 2022: Aguayo Was Sentenced To Four Years In Texas State Jail In An Amended Sentence After Revoking His Deferred Adjudication Agreement. [Hidalgo County Judicial District Court, Case #CR-0963-19-H, Judgment Adjudicating Guilt, filed [6/21/22](#)]

Eric Flores Defended A Man Charged With A Felony For Aggravated Assault With A Deadly Weapon, Who Threatened A Woman With A Gun, And Had The Charges Dismissed After He Completed The Mujeres Unidas Batters Program

Eric Flores Was Retained As Defense Counsel For Jose Saul Cedillo Gutierrez In His Felony Case For Aggravated Assault With A Deadly Weapon.

PARTY INFORMATION			
Defendant	GUTIERREZ, JOSE SAUL CEDILLO		Attorneys Eric Daniel Flores Retained 956-318-0555(W)
			attorney refused Court Appointed
Plaintiff	THE STATE OF TEXAS		
CHARGE INFORMATION			
Charges: GUTIERREZ, JOSE SAUL CEDILLO AGG ASSAULT W/DEADLY WEAPON	Statute 22.02(a)(2)	Level Felony 2nd Degree	Date 05/18/2018

[Hidalgo County Judicial District Court, Case #CR-4640-18-F, filed [11/27/18](#)]

November 2019: Gutierrez Was Indicted For An Incident Where He Threatened A Woman “With Imminent Bodily Injury And Did Then And There Use Or Exhibit Deadly Weapon, To—Wit: Firearm.” The indictment against Jose Saul Cedillo Gutierrez said “on or about the 18th day of May A.D., 2018, and before the presentment of this indictment, in Hidalgo County, Texas, did then and there intentionally or knowingly threaten Madali Silva with imminent bodily injury and did then and there use or exhibit deadly weapon, to—wit: firearm, during the commission of said assault.” [Hidalgo County Judicial District Court, Case #CR-4640-18-F, Indictment, filed [11/27/18](#)]

August 2019: The Case Against Gutierrez Was Dismissed After He Completed The Mujeres Unidas Batters Program. [Hidalgo County Judicial District Court, Case #CR-4640-18-F, Judgment of Dismissal, filed [8/9/19](#)]

Eric Flores Defended A Man Charged With Two Felonies For Assault Of A Woman He Was Dating And Secured Him A Plea Deal That Avoided Jail Time

Daily Mail Headline: “Hidden Past Of Trump Congressional Pick... As Hypocritical Truth Behind His Hardline Child Predator Boasts Is Revealed” [Daily Mail, [6/21/26](#)]

Eric Flores Worked As A Defense Attorney For Violent Criminals, Including Domestic Abusers, And Successfully Won Them Lenient Deals. “A Texas Republican running for Congress touts his record as a victims' advocate and hard-charging prosecutor – but has kept quiet about defending a domestic violence convict and an alleged child abuser in court. Court records obtained by the Daily Mail reveal Eric Flores, a former federal prosecutor, also worked as a defense attorney, where he got lenient deals for domestic abusers, and defended in court a high school coach accused of forcing a student to exercise naked.” [Daily Mail, [6/21/26](#)]

A Flores Client, Renato Villalon, Struck His Then-Girlfriend And Restrained Her By Force In 2019 – It Was His Second Domestic Violence Offense Which Made Hi Eligible For Up To Ten Years In Prison. “One of his former clients, Renato Villalon, was charged with striking his then-girlfriend Cynthia Barragan with his hand and restraining her by force in December 2019, exposing her to what prosecutors described as a substantial risk of serious bodily injury. It was not Villalon's first offense. He had a prior domestic violence conviction dating back to 2006, making both charges third-degree felonies carrying up to ten years in prison each.” [Daily Mail, [6/21/26](#)]

Eric Flores Was Retained As Defense Counsel For Renato Villalon On Two Felonies For Assault Of A Family/Household Member And Unlawful Restraint With Exposure To Serious Bodily Injury.

Party Information			
Defendant	VILLALON, RENATO	Attorneys	Eric Daniel Flores Retained 956-318-0555(W)
Plaintiff	THE STATE OF TEXAS		
Charge Information			
Charges: VILLALON, RENATO	Statute	Level	Date
1. ASSAULT FAMILY/HOUSEHOLD MEMBER W/PEV CONV IAT	22.01(b)(2)(A)	Felony 3rd Degree	12/01/2019
2. Unlawful Restraint: Expose to SBI	20.02(c)(2)(A)	Felony 3rd Degree	12/01/2019

[Hidalgo County Judicial District Court, Case #CR-4640-18-F, filed [3/10/20](#)]

2020: Count One Of The Indictment Against Villalon Said He Hit A Woman With Whom He Had A Dating Relationship With His Hand And Was Previously Convicted Under The Same Statute. “Count one of the indictment against Renato Villalon said “on or about the 1st day of December, 2019, and before the presentment of this indictment, in Hidalgo County, Texas, did then and there intentionally, knowingly, or recklessly cause bodily injury to Cynthia Barragan, person with whom the defendant had or had had dating relationship, as described by Section 71.0021(b), of the Texas Family Code, by striking her with his hand, and before the commission of the aforesaid offense, the defendant had previously been convicted of an offense under Chapter 22 of the Texas Penal Code against person with whom the defendant had or had had dating relationship.” [Hidalgo County Judicial District Court, Case #CR-4640-18-F, Indictment, filed [3/10/20](#)]

2020: Count Two Of The Indictment Against Villalon Said He Restrained The Woman Without Her Consent Causing “Substantial Risk Of Serious Bodily Injury.” Count two of the indictment against Renato Villalon said “on or about the 1st day of December, 2019, and before the presentment of this indictment, in Hidalgo County, Texas, did did [sic] then and there intentionally, knowingly, by force or intimidation, restrain Cynthia Barragan, without her consent. by restricting the movements of the said Cynthia Barragan, and the defendant did then and there recklessly expose the said Cynthia Barragan to substantial risk of serious bodily injury by confining her or moving her from one place to another.” [Hidalgo County Judicial District Court, Case #CR-4640-18-F, Indictment, filed [3/10/20](#)]

Flores Took The Case In March 2020 And Negotiated A Deal With The District Attorney To Drop The Domestic Violence Charge And All Jail Time. “Flores took the case in March 2020. By November, he had negotiated a deal with the district attorney's office in which the domestic violence charge was dropped entirely. Villalon pleaded guilty to the remaining unlawful restraint charge and was sentenced to five years of community supervision and 100 hours of community service. He served no jail time.” [Daily Mail, [6/21/26](#)]

2020: While Flores Was Defense Counsel, Villalon Agreed To A Plea Bargain Where He Received Deferred Prosecution On Community Supervision For Five Years. [Hidalgo County Judicial District Court, Case #CR-4640-18-F, Terms of Plea Bargain And Agreed Punishment Recommendation and Postconviction Waivers, filed [11/6/20](#)]

Eric Flores Defended A Man On Felony Assault For Choking A Woman He Was Dating And A Separate Misdemeanor, Receiving A Plea Bargain Where He Pleaded Guilty To

Only The Misdemeanor For Driving Her Car Without Permission And Received Deferred Prosecution

Daily Mail Headline: “Hidden Past Of Trump Congressional Pick... As Hypocritical Truth Behind His Hardline Child Predator Boasts Is Revealed” [Daily Mail, [6/21/26](#)]

Flores Represented Two Men Charged With Domestic Violence Felonies, “Helping Both Secure Plea Deals That Dramatically Reduced Their Charges And Left Them With Minimal Jail Time.” “The GOP congressional candidate, a lawyer in Hidalgo County, Texas, represented at least two men charged with domestic violence felonies, helping both secure plea deals that dramatically reduced their charges and left them with minimal jail time.” [Daily Mail, [6/21/26](#)]

A Flores Client, Guadalupe Lopez Jr., Was Indicted On Two Separate Felony Strangulations Of Two Women, Charges That Carried A Sentence Of Up To Ten Years Each. “Flores also represented Guadalupe Lopez Jr., indicted on two separate felony strangulation charges involving two women. In July 2023, Lopez allegedly applied pressure to his girlfriend's throat, identified in court records under the pseudonym Tanya White, impeding her breathing. Months later, in October 2023, he did the same to another dating partner, Jessica Canales. Both incidents resulted in grand jury indictments in the summer of 2024. Trying to strangle a domestic partner is a third-degree felony in Texas, carrying a sentence of up to ten years.” [Daily Mail, [6/21/26](#)]

Eric Flores Was Retained As Defense Counsel For Guadalupe Lopez Jr. On A Felony For Assault Causing Bodily Injury Of A Family Member And Misdemeanor For Unauthorized Use Of A Vehicle.

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[Hidalgo County Judicial District Court, Case #CR-5352-24-A, filed [9/12/24](#)]

Flores Negotiated Lopez’s Plea Deal Down To A Class A Misdemeanor And One Year In Jail, Which The *Daily Mail* Called “A Win For Lopez” As It Spared Him From Spending Years In Jail. “With Flores representing him in both cases, Lopez pleaded guilty in December 2025 to a reduced charge in each: simple assault causing bodily injury to a family member, a Class A misdemeanor. It was a win for Lopez, a significant step down from the original felony counts. He was sentenced to one year in county jail.” [Daily Mail, [6/21/26](#)]

2024: Count One Of The Indictment Against Lopez Said He Choked A Woman With Whom He Had A Dating Relationship. Count one of the indictment against Guadalupe Lopez Jr. said “on or about the 29th day of October 2023, and before the presentment pf this indictment, in Hidalgo County, Texas, did then and there intentionally, knowingly, or recklessly cause bodily injury to Jessica Canales, person with whom the defendant had or had had dating relationship as described by Section 1.0021(b) Of the Texas Family Code, by intentionally, knowingly, or recklessly impeding the normal breathing or circulation of the blood of Jessica Canales by applying pressure to the throat or neck of Jessica Canales.” [Hidalgo County Judicial District Court, Case #CR-5352-24-A, Indictment, filed [9/12/24](#)]

2024: Count Two Of The Indictment Against Lopez Said He Operated A Vehicle Owned By The Woman Without Her Consent. Count two of the indictment against Guadalupe Lopez Jr. said “on or about the 29th day of October, 2023, and before the presentment of this indictment, in Hidalgo County, Texas, did then and there intentionally or knowingly operate motor—propelled vehicle, to—wit: an

automobile, without the effective consent of Jessica Canales, the owner thereof.” [Hidalgo County Judicial District Court, Case #CR-5352-24-A, Indictment, filed [9/12/24](#)]

December 2025: While Flores Was Defense Counsel, Lopez Agreed To A Plea Bargain Where He Pleaded Guilty To The Misdemeanor And Received Deferred Prosecution With Two Years Of Community Supervision. [Hidalgo County Judicial District Court, Case #CR-4640-18-F, Judgment of Conviction by Court, filed [12/2/25](#)]

He Even Defended A High School Coach Who Allegedly Forced Several Teenage Students To Exercise Naked As A Form Of Punishment, Defending His Actions By Saying The School District And Coach Did Nothing Wrong,

2025: The Father Of A High School Student Filed Suit On Behalf Of His Son Alleging Football Coach Ernie Alonzo, Who Also Was A Certified Teacher, “Forced His Son To Exercise In The Nude” In What Allegedly Wasn’t An Isolated Incident

September 2025: Raul Rocha, Father Of High School Student “N.R.,” Filed A Suit “Alleging A Football Coach Forced His Son To Exercise While Naked As A Form Of Punishment And Humiliation.” “The father of a South Texas high schooler has filed a lawsuit alleging a football coach forced his son to exercise while naked as a form of punishment and humiliation. Edinburg resident Raul Rocha filed the suit on behalf of his son — identified in court documents only as ‘N.R.’ — in the 476th State District Court in Hidalgo County on September 16.” [MySA, [11/6/25](#)]

- **The Lawsuit Was “Seeking Between \$250,000 And \$1 Million In Damages.”** “Raul Rocha, the parent of the student named only as N.R., is seeking damages for medical expenses and “emotional distress,” his lawyer, Javier Peña, told Raw Story. Rocha is seeking between \$250,000 and \$1 million in damages, according to the lawsuit.” [Raw Story, [2/16/26](#)]

The Lawsuit Alleged Coach Ernie Alonzo “Forced His Son To Exercise In The Nude” And “There Were ‘Prior Complaints’ Against Alonzo And That He Had A Checkered History, Including At Another School District.” “In the suit, Rocha alleges that in 2024, Ernie Alonzo — who was then the head football coach at Robert Vela High School in Edinburg — forced his son to exercise in the nude, and that an investigation into the alleged incident was later covered up by powerful political players within the school district, according to court documents. [...] The lawsuit further alleges that the incident wasn’t a one-off — that there were ‘prior complaints’ against Alonzo and that he had a checkered history, including at another school district, prior to his hiring at Edinburg for the 2024- 25 academic year.” [MySA, [11/6/25](#)]

- **Ernesto Alonzo Was A Certified Teacher With The Texas Education Agency In The Fields Of Physical Education, Health, And Vocational Trades.**

Texas Educator Certificate
[Click here to go to EDUCATOR SANCTION HISTORY section](#)

This certifies that

Ernesto Alonzo

*has fulfilled requirements of state law and regulations of the
 State Board for Educator Certification
 and is hereby authorized to perform duties as designated below:*

STANDARD			
Description	Effective Date	Expiration Date	Status
Classroom Teacher			
Physical Education Grades (EC-12)	09/01/2025	08/31/2031	Valid
Secondary Health Education Grades (6-12)	09/01/2025	08/31/2031	Valid
Vocational Trades & Industry Pre- Employment Grades (6-12)	09/01/2025	08/31/2031	Valid

[Note: This individual is currently under review by the TEA Educator Investigations Division.](#)

CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY APPROVALS

Approval does not necessarily mean that the individual is certified for the area(s) listed below.

Description	Date of Approval
Law Enforcement/Criminal Justice	06/14/1999

[Texas Education Agency, accessed [1/29/26](#)]

- **Texas Required “Coaches To Be Certified Teachers.”** “Texas is unique in that it requires their coaches to be certified teachers. If you have not yet gotten your Texas teaching certification, please visit the Texas Education Agency (TEA) website for more information. One of our THSCA member services is an online job board, if you choose to become a THSCA member you will be given access to the job board as well as the resume posting board.” [Texas High School Coaches Association, accessed [1/29/26](#)]

The Lawsuit Said “That An Investigation Into The Alleged Incident Was Later Covered Up By Powerful Political Players Within The School District” And The Coach’s History Was “Intentionally Ignored And Covered Up By Higher-Ups.” “In the suit, Rocha alleges that in 2024, Ernie Alonzo — who was then the head football coach at Robert Vela High School in Edinburg — forced his son to exercise in the nude, and that an investigation into the alleged incident was later covered up by powerful political players within the school district, according to court documents. [...] That history was allegedly intentionally ignored and covered up by higher-ups, including Oscar Salinas, the district’s athletic director, and Vela principal Michele Peña.” [MySA, [11/6/25](#)]

- **The Attorney For The Victim And His Son Said “That As Many As Four More Students May Have Been Victimized In The Same Incident,” Which School Officials Admitted In A Meeting.** “The lawsuit further alleges that an investigation conducted by the district’s police department was later quashed, despite an investigator allegedly finding ‘multiple other victims.’ [...] Javier Peña, the Edinburg attorney representing Rocha and his son, told MySA that as many as four more students may have been victimized in the same incident. When Pena and his clients met informally with school officials — including administrators, school board trustees and attorneys — last December, they allegedly admitted that the incident occurred and even apologized.” [MySA, [11/6/25](#)]

As Attorney For The School District, Eric Flores Denied That Wrongdoing Occurred, Disputed The Allegations, And Defended The Coach For Only Telling Players To Do Drills In The Locker Room As Punishment

Eric Flores Represented The School District In The Dispute, Denying That “Wrongdoing Occurred” And Disputing The Allegations. “In a statement to MySA on Thursday, the school district’s attorney reiterated that no wrongdoing occurred. ‘The District disputes the allegations and stands by the integrity, professionalism, and dedication of its employees,’ attorney Eric D. Flores said. Flores serves as an attorney with O’Hanlon, Demerath & Castillo, a law firm with offices in Austin, San Antonio and the Rio Grande Valley that represents school districts around the state. ‘Our focus remains on serving our students and families with the highest standards of safety, respect, and excellence in education,’ Flores further said.” [MySA, [11/6/25](#)]

- **Flores: “The District Disputes The Allegations And Stands By The Integrity, Professionalism, And Dedication Of Its Employees.”** “‘The District disputes the allegations and stands by the integrity, professionalism, and dedication of its employees,’ attorney Eric D. Flores said. Flores serves as an attorney with O’Hanlon, Demerath & Castillo, a law firm with offices in Austin, San Antonio and the Rio Grande Valley that represents school districts around the state. ‘Our focus remains on serving our students and families with the highest standards of safety, respect, and excellence in education,’ Flores further said.” [MySA, [11/6/25](#)]

The School District Admitted That The Coach Made Players Do Drills In The Locker Room As Discipline But “Did Not Stay To Ensure The Football Players Did The Drill.” “But in its court filings, the school district denies that any wrongdoing occurred. The district filed its first response to the lawsuit on October 2. In it, the district admits that Alonzo disciplined ‘several football players for taking too long to get to their lunch period.’ However, that punishment only involved Alonzo telling the players to do ‘up/downs’ in the locker room. And he ‘did not stay to ensure the football players did the drill.’ The response further claims that disciplining students falls within his scope of duties and that his verbal instructions did not involve ‘excessive force.’” [MySA, [11/6/25](#)]

Even As Lawyers Compared The School District To “Epstein’s Island.”

Plaintiff’s Lawyer Javier Peña Called The Football Coach’s School A “Temu Version Of Epstein’s Island”

Javier Peña: “This Is Like [The] Temu Version Of Epstein’s Island.” “‘They’ve already admitted to basically every central element of our cause of action and to the damages,’ Javier Peña said. ‘They’ve admitted they made these kids, at least four, if not more, exercise in the nude, straight out of the shower. Coach was watching them, admitted it was outside the course and scope of their employment, admitted the child was harmed, admitted that Coach has never been punished, things like that. It’s insane that these lawyers have allowed that to happen.’ Calling the situation ‘dirty politics all around,’ Peña said: ‘This is like [the] Temu version of Epstein’s Island. They’re just covering up and protecting people and all engaged in these shenanigans.’” [RawStory, [2/16/26](#)]

The Lawyer For One Of The Parents Seeking Damages Javier Peña On The Situation: “They’ve Admitted They Made These Kids, At Least Four, If Not More, Exercise In The Nude, Straight Out Of The Shower. Coach Was Watching Them, Admitted It Was Outside The Course And Scope Of Their Employment.” “Raul Rocha, the parent of the student named only as N.R., is seeking damages for medical expenses and ‘emotional distress,’ his lawyer, Javier Peña, told Raw Story. [...] ‘They’ve already

admitted to basically every central element of our cause of action and to the damages,’ Javier Peña said. ‘They’ve admitted they made these kids, at least four, if not more, exercise in the nude, straight out of the shower. Coach was watching them, admitted it was outside the course and scope of their employment, admitted the child was harmed, admitted that Coach has never been punished, things like that. It’s insane that these lawyers have allowed that to happen.’” [Raw Story, [2/16/26](#)]

- **Plaintiff’s Attorney Filed An Amended Petition Saying O’Hanlon And Flores’ Partner, Benjamin Castillo, As The School’s Attorney, Met With The Minor And His Parents And “Admitted That The Assault Occurred.”** “An amended petition said O’Hanlon’s partner, Benjamin Castillo, as the school’s attorney, met with the minor and his parents and ‘admitted that the assault occurred.’” [RawStory, [2/16/26](#)]

The Coach Faced Allegations Of Inappropriate Behavior At The McAllen Independent School District. “The suit states that the coach faced allegations of inappropriate behavior at the McAllen Independent School District right before he was hired at Edinburg Vela High School. The alleged incident is also referred to throughout the lawsuit as a ‘cover-up,’ and the decision to hire him as a coach was driven by ‘political’ factors.” [ValleyCentral, [11/6/25](#)]

Plaintiff: Alonzo Was Hired As Coach “Despite Credible Reports Of Sexual Misconduct At His Previous Employment.” “This is not an isolated incident. Defendant Oscar Salinas, the Athletic Director, was aware of prior complaints against Coach Alonzo. Rather than protect children, Salinas pushed for Alonzo’s hiring—despite credible reports of sexual misconduct at his previous employment—due to political affiliations and personal agendas.” [Raul Rocha, as next of K.R., v. Ernie Alonzo, Michele Pena, and Oscar Salinas, Case No. C-4565-25-M, amended petition, filed 9/16/25]

4.7 This is not an isolated incident. Defendant Oscar Salinas, the Athletic Director, was aware of prior complaints against Coach Alonzo. Rather than protect children, Salinas pushed for Alonzo’s hiring—despite credible reports of sexual misconduct at his previous employment—due to political affiliations and personal agendas.

[Raul Rocha, as next of K.R., v. Ernie Alonzo, Michele Pena, and Oscar Salinas, Case No. C-4565-25-M, original petition, filed 9/16/25]

The Plaintiff Alleged Ernie Alonzo Was Hired To Be The Football Coach Despite Having A History Of Inappropriate Behavior At A McAllen ISD School, Because Of His Close Ties To High-Level Employees In Edinburg CISD. “4.2 Among the pool of applicants, however, was one individual whose coaching history did not compare favorably. Unlike the other candidates, his record reflected no extraordinary success, and his previous tenure at McAllen ISD was marred by troubling allegations of inappropriate behavior. Rather than being distinguished for his coaching ability or his results, he carried with him a cloud of concern from his prior employment. 4.3 Despite these shortcomings, this applicant was ultimately selected as the head coach of the Edinburg Vela High School football program. His selection was not the product of merit or demonstrated coaching excellence. Instead, it was driven by entrenched political influence. The applicant maintained deep ties to the powerful political machine in Edinburg and enjoyed the patronage of a high-level athletics administrator, Oscar Salinas. Their backing—not his qualifications—paved the way for his appointment.” [Raul Rocha, as next of K.R., v. Ernie Alonzo, Michele Pena, and Oscar Salinas, Case No. C-4565-25-M, original petition, filed 9/16/25]

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4.3 Despite these shortcomings, this applicant was ultimately selected as the head coach of the Edinburg Vela High School football program. His selection was not the product of merit or demonstrated coaching excellence. Instead, it was driven by entrenched political influence. The applicant maintained deep ties to the powerful political machine in Edinburg and enjoyed the patronage of a high-level athletics administrator, Oscar Salinas. Their backing—not his qualifications—paved the way for his appointment.

[Raul Rocha, as next of K.R., v. Ernie Alonzo, Michele Pena, and Oscar Salinas, Case No. C-4565-25-M, original petition, filed 9/16/25]

The Plaintiff Alleged Alonzo Was Hired As A Result Of Political Favoritism, Which Protected Him Despite Being A “Potential Pedophile.” “By elevating political connections above professional merit, Edinburg CISD undermined the integrity of its hiring process and sacrificed the best interests of its students and community in favor of political expediency. This effort to elevate a political hire above more qualified candidates is rampant in local school districts and is one of the main factors in employees operating outside the course and scope of their official duties to illegally cover up crimes of the politically protected, even if those politically protected are potential pedophile political hires. The political corruption at the top compels acquiesce through the rank employees due to fear of being victims of the same corrupt machine.” [Raul Rocha, as next of K.R., v. Ernie Alonzo, Michele Pena, and Oscar Salinas, Case No. C-4565-25-M, original petition, filed 9/16/25]

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is a duty to report, a duty to investigate, and they allow children to become victims, these employees, such as the defendants in this case become villains themselves.



[Raul Rocha, as next of K.R., v. Ernie Alonzo, Michele Pena, and Oscar Salinas, Case No. C-4565-25-M, original petition, filed 9/16/25]

Eric Flores Message #3 Backup

Flores's campaign is boosted by D.C. Republicans who want to gut Social Security and Medicare, leaving hundreds of thousands of South Texan seniors without the hard-earned benefits that they've paid for their entire lives.

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December 2025: Johnson: "I Am Proud To ENDORSE Eric Flores For Texas' 34th District, And Look Forward To Working With Him To Defend And Grow Our House Republican Majority."

"Eric Flores is a patriot who will help us continue to deliver safe streets, secure borders, lower costs, a strong economy, and peace through strength. As a former Texas Army National Guard Infantry Captain and Assistant U.S. Attorney, Eric will also help defend the rule of law, the Second Amendment, our troops and veterans, and all the rights and principles that have made America the greatest nation on Earth. I am proud to ENDORSE Eric Flores for Texas' 34th District, and look forward to working with him to defend and grow our House Republican majority and CONTINUE our American comeback!" [Mike Johnson, Twitter, [12/18/25](#)]



[Mike Johnson, Twitter, [12/18/25](#)]

Flores On Mike Johnson’s Endorsement: “Speaker Johnson Thank You For This Endorsement! I Look Forward To Standing Shoulder To Shoulder With You In Congress.” “Speaker Johnson thank you for this endorsement! I look forward to standing shoulder to shoulder with you in Congress fighting for the America First Agenda! Let’s win, for America and for STX! @SpeakerJohnson” [Eric D Flores, Twitter, [12/18/25](#)]



[Eric D Flores, Twitter, [12/18/25](#)]

Flores: “We Need To Get President Trump And Speaker Johnson's Agenda Across.” FLORES: “We need to get President Trump and Speaker Johnson's agenda across you know, the majority in the House right now is slim, and we need to continue, if we look at the major, major legislation that was passed in the shorter period of time, the One Big, Beautiful Bill. You know, it helps farmers, it helps veterans. You know, no tax on tips. So we need to get that agenda across the line.” [The Sergio Show via YouTube, uploaded, 6:36, [1/8/25](#)] (VIDEO)

As Chair Of The Republican Study Committee, Johnson Proposed Drastic Cuts To Medicare

Johnson’s Republican Study Committee Budget Proposed Cutting Medicare By Raising The Eligibility Age. “Adjust the Medicare Eligibility Age to Reflect Life Expectancy: Since Medicare’s creation in 1965, advances in science and medical technology have increased average life expectancy. This is a great miracle, but it does put additional stresses on the solvency of the Medicare program. As a result, the amount of time a Medicare beneficiary is expected to be covered by the program has increased from 14.6 years in 1965 to over 19 years in 2015. As beneficiaries continue to live longer, the ratio of workers to retirees shrinks threatening the solvency of Medicare. In 1965 there were 4.5 workers per Medicare beneficiary. That number shrunk to 3.3 workers in 2011, 3.1 in 2015, 2.8 in 2018 and is expected to continue to decrease to 2.3 workers per beneficiary by 2030. To address the increased demands on Medicare, this budget proposes increasing the age of Medicare so it is aligned with the normal retirement age for Social Security and then indexing this age to life expectancy, ensuring Medicare remains available for future generations.” [Republican Study Committee, Budget, [FY 2020](#)]

As Chair Of The Republican Study Committee, Johnson Proposed Raising The Social Security Retirement Age To 70 Years Old

Johnson's Republican Study Committee Budget Called For Raising The Social Security Retirement Age To 69 And Eventually 70 Years Old. "The goal of the Social Security Reform Act is to ensure the long-term solvency of Social Security for this and future generations. It does so by modernizing the program, phasing out antiquated elements and bringing together a number of commonsense ideas to make the system work better for today's workers and retirees. Many of the specific policies included in this legislation have bipartisan support and have been included in proposals put forward by members of Congress on both sides of the aisle and well-respected non-partisan organizations. Adjust the Retirement Age to Reflect Longevity: The bipartisan Social Security Amendments of 1983 phases in an increase in the Social Security full retirement age over time, beginning at 65 and reaching 67 by 2022 for those born in 1960 and later. The Social Security Reform Act would continue this gradual increase of the normal retirement age at a rate of three months per year until it reaches 69 for those reaching age 62 in 2030. The RSC Budget recognizes that, due to Congressional inaction, the Social Security Reform Act's retirement age increase would need to be extended, likely to age 70, to achieve long-range sustainable solvency. Further, the existing 5-year gap between the normal and early retirement ages would be maintained as the full retirement age is incrementally adjusted." [Republican Study Committee, Budget, [FY 2020](#)]

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Emmer Was On The Republican Study Committee, Which Proposed Extreme Cuts To Social Security

February 2025: Emmer Was On The Republican Study Committee. [National Peace Corps Association, [February 2025](#)]

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The RSC's Budget Called For Raising The Retirement Age For Social Security. The RSC Budget would “[...] make modest adjustments to the retirement age for future retirees to account for increases in life expectancy.” “Every Social Security retirement reform supported by the RSC Budget was previously offered in a bipartisan fashion. For instance, the RSC Budget would make modest changes to the primary insurance amount (PIA) benefit formula for individuals who are not near retirement and earn more than the wealthiest PIA benefit factor. It would also make modest adjustments to the retirement age for future retirees to account for increases in life expectancy. Finally, for these individuals, it would limit and phase out auxiliary benefits for high income earners.” [Republican Study Committee, Fiscal Year 2024 Budget, [6/14/23](#)]

- **Roll Call: “The Plan Offered By The 175-Member Republican Study Committee Would Gradually Raise The Age At Which Future Retirees Can Start Claiming Full Social Security Benefits From 67 To 69.”** “The plan offered by the 175-member Republican Study Committee would gradually raise the age at which future retirees can start claiming full Social Security benefits from 67 to 69, a politically fraught proposal that's all but certain to appear in Democratic campaign ads.” [Roll Call, [6/14/23](#)]
- **Roll Call: “The Retirement Age Would Reach 69 For Those Who Turn 62 In 2033.”** “Cline said the group has proposed gradually raising the Social Security retirement age, but not for current retirees or those nearing retirement. He said those now aged 59 would see an increase in the retirement age of three months per year beginning in 2026. The retirement age would reach 69 for those who turn 62 in 2033.” [Roll Call, [6/14/23](#)]

The RSC Budget Plan Aimed To Cut Federal Spending On Medicaid By Over Half. “According to the budget summary tables in the RSC budget plan, together with a related proposal to block grant the Affordable Care Act’s marketplace subsidies, block granting Medicaid and instituting the other Medicaid cuts included in the RSC budget would cut federal spending by \$3.84 trillion over 10 years. That constitutes a 52.3 percent cut, relative to the Congressional Budget Office’s May 2023 baseline 2024-2033 spending levels for Medicaid, CHIP and ACA marketplace subsidies. By the tenth year (2033), the



cut would equal a 56.4 percent reduction.” [Georgetown University Center For Children and Families, [6/26/23](#)]

Leaving Hundreds Of Thousands Of South Texan Seniors Without The Hard-Earned Benefits That They've Paid For Their Entire Lives.

South Texas Was Home To Over 400,000 Social Security Beneficiaries

December 2025: South Texas Was Home To More Than 400,000 Social Security Beneficiaries.
[Social Security Administration, [December 2025](#)]

Social Security Beneficiaries In TX15, TX28 And TX34	
Congressional district	Beneficiaries
15	131,051
28	141,174
34	131,994
Total	404,219

Seniors Paid Into Social Security And Medicare For Years Through FICA Taxes

American Taxpayers Funded Social Security And Medicare Via Federal Insurance Contributions Act Taxes. “Taxes under the Federal Insurance Contributions Act (FICA) are composed of the old-age, survivors, and disability insurance taxes, also known as Social Security taxes, and the hospital insurance taxes, also known as Medicare taxes. Different rates apply for these taxes. Social Security and Medicare withholding rates The current tax rate for Social Security is 6.2% for the employer and 6.2% for the employee, or 12.4% total. The current rate for Medicare is 1.45% for the employer and 1.45% for the employee, or 2.9% total. Refer to Publication 15 (Circular E), Employer's Tax Guide for more information. Additional Medicare tax withholding rate Additional Medicare tax applies to an individual's Medicare wages that exceed a threshold amount based on the taxpayer's filing status. Employers are responsible for withholding the 0.9% Additional Medicare tax on an individual's wages paid in excess of \$200,000 in a calendar year, without regard to filing status. An employer is required to begin withholding Additional Medicare tax in the pay period in which it pays wages in excess of \$200,000 to an employee and continue to withhold it each pay period until the end of the calendar year. There's no employer match for Additional Medicare tax. For more information, see the Instructions for Form 8959 and Questions and answers for the Additional Medicare Tax.” [IRS, accessed [8/11/26](#)]

Rep. Vicente Gonzalez Message #1 Backup

Vicente Gonzalez was raised in a hard-working military family in South Texas. After dropping out of high school, he buckled down, got his G.E.D., went to community college, and later got his law degree where he went on to fight for families who were wronged by big corporations.

Vicente Gonzalez Was Raised In A Hard-Working Military Family In South Texas.

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After Dropping Out Of High School, He Buckled Down, Got His G.E.D., Went To Community College, And Later Got His Law Degree

Gonzalez Dropped Out Of High School, But Later Got His G.E.D., Went To Community College, And Obtained A Law Degree From Texas A&M

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Where He Went On To Fight For Families Who Were Wronged By Big Corporations

Gonzalez Recovered Millions For South Texas Schools As A Private Lawyer

Gonzalez Recovered Millions In Tax Dollars From South Texas Schools After Contractors Misspent Millions In Bond Money And Put Children In Physical Danger. “Vicente started his business, the Law Offices of V. Gonzalez and Associates, in McAllen and married Lorena Saenz, a former teacher in South Texas Public schools. Vicente has focused his practice on fighting for a level playing field for working families wronged by corporations evading responsibility. Through several victories for our community, Vicente recovered millions in tax dollars for South Texas school districts after shady contractors misspent millions in bond money and put our children in physical danger.” [Vicente Gonzalez Website, accessed [5/13/26](#)]

Gonzalez Voted For The Inflation Reduction Act Which Capped The Cost Of Insulin At \$35 A Month For Medicare Beneficiaries

Gonzalez Voted For The Inflation Reduction Act Which Capped The Price Of Insulin At \$35 A Month For Medicare Beneficiaries And Negotiate Lower Drug Prices. “House Vote 420 Fiscal 2022 Budget Reconciliation Bill — Motion to Concur Yarmuth, D-Ky., motion to concur in the Senate amendment to the bill comprising a package of climate, tax and health care provisions. Among drug

pricing provisions, the bill would require the Health and Human Services Department to negotiate a "maximum fair price" with drug manufacturers for certain Medicare-eligible, brand-name drugs that do not have generic competition; cap cost-sharing for insulin products covered under Medicare at \$35 a month; and require single-source drug manufacturers to provide rebates to HHS for the price of drugs under Medicare Parts B and D for which price increases outpace inflation. For Medicare Part D, it would cap the annual out-of-pocket limit at \$2,000. It would extend through 2025 tax subsidies toward Affordable Care Act marketplace insurance premiums for individuals under a certain income level. The bill would provide for approximately \$270 billion in new or expanded tax credits to incentivize actions by businesses and individuals to mitigate climate change, including production credits for electricity produced by renewable and nuclear facilities; investment tax credits for certain renewable energy equipment and facilities; and credits for advanced energy manufacturing projects, including in areas where a coal mine or power plant has closed. To incentivize emission reduction and clean fuel production, it would create or extend tax credits for carbon oxide sequestration facilities; biodiesel, renewable diesel and alternative fuels; and clean hydrogen facilities. For most of its corporate tax credits, it would add prevailing wage and apprenticeship requirements and establish bonus credits for using domestic materials in facility construction. It would also expand individual tax credits for residential energy efficiency improvements and renewable energy expenses; increase credits for new energy efficient homes; and create credits for the purchase of used electric vehicles by individuals under a certain income level. It would reinstate the Superfund tax on crude oil at a rate of 16.4 cents per barrel. Among other tax provisions, the bill would establish a 15 percent alternative minimum tax for corporations with a book income of at least \$1 million annually and institute a 1 percent excise tax on corporate stock buybacks. It would authorize \$79.3 billion for IRS operations, including enforcement activities and systems modernization. The bill would provide funding for various activities to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, promote energy-efficient technologies and mitigate the impacts of climate change, including \$27 billion for grants to state, local and nonprofit entities for greenhouse gas emission reduction activities; \$9.7 billion for zero-emission or carbon capture rural electric systems; \$5 billion for loan guarantees to replace or reduce emissions of energy infrastructure; \$3 billion for zero-emission vehicles for the Postal Service; and \$1.6 billion for methane emissions reduction and mitigation. It would provide \$9 billion for residential energy efficiency improvement rebates; \$3 billion for new EPA environmental and climate justice block grants for community-led activities to address pollution, emission reduction, climate resiliency and public engagement; and \$3 billion for Federal Highway Administration grants for projects that address surface transportation facilities that disconnect or negatively impact communities. It would provide \$4 billion for drought mitigation in Western states; \$2.15 billion for hazardous fuel reduction and restoration projects; and \$1 billion to improve energy and water efficiency or climate resilience of affordable housing. It would require the Interior Department to accept bids for certain canceled oil and gas leases on the outer continental shelf. It would authorize wind lease sales adjacent to U.S. territories but prohibit new wind or solar development rights on federal lands for 10 years unless the department completes certain oil or gas lease sales. Motion agreed to (thus cleared for the president), 220-207. Note: A "yea" was a vote in support of the president's position. Pursuant to the provisions of H Res 8, members were able to vote remotely by proxy during the public health emergency period related to COVID-19." [HR 5376, Vote No. 420, [8/12/22](#); CQ, [8/12/22](#)]

Rep. Vicente Gonzalez Message #2 Backup

Vicente knows South Texans are tired of price-gouging corporations and nonstop corruption. That's why he's taken on big pharma to cap the price of insulin at \$35, and is fighting to lower insurance premiums. Vicente is fighting to repeal the tariffs that cost Texans an average of \$2,500 a year and is working with Democrats and Republicans alike to finally fix our broken immigration system. He's an independent fighter willing to work with both parties to deliver for South Texas.

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Gonzalez Voted To Extend ACA Premium Tax Credits

January 2026: Gonzalez Voted To Extend Premium Tax Credits For ACA Health Insurance Plans. "Jan. 8, 2026 — House Vote 11 Health Tax Credit Extension Measure — Passage Passage of the the bill, as amended, that would extend for three years, through the end of calendar year 2028, the enhanced tax credits to subsidize premiums for health insurance purchased on the Affordable Health Care Act health insurance markets. It would allow taxpayers whose household income exceeds 400 percent of the federal poverty line to receive tax credits for three more years. The measure would retroactively take effect Jan. 1, 2026. Passed 230-196." [HR 1834, Vote No. 11, [1/8/26](#); CQ, [1/8/26](#)]

Vicente Is Fighting To Repeal The Tariffs

Gonzalez Repeatedly Voted To Undo Trump's Tariffs

February 2026: Gonzalez Voted For Terminating Trump's Tariffs, After Voting Repeatedly To Delay A Vote On The Issue

February 2026: Gonzalez Voted For Terminating The National Emergency That Imposed Tariffs On Goods From Canada. In February 2026, Gonzalez voted for: "Passage of the joint resolution that would terminate the Feb. 1, 2025, national emergency that imposed tariffs on goods from Canada." The bill passed by a vote of 219-211. [H. J. Res. 72, [Vote #65](#), 2/11/26; CQ, [2/11/26](#)]

- **The House Voted To Rescind Trump's Imposed Tariffs On Canada.** "The House voted on Wednesday to rescind tariffs that President Trump imposed on Canada last year, delivering a largely symbolic but politically consequential rebuke that Republicans had fought for a year to prevent. In a 219-to-211 vote, six Republicans joined nearly all Democrats in backing the resolution sponsored by Representative Gregory W. Meeks of New York, the top Democrat on the Foreign Affairs Committee. While the Senate has moved to cancel the president's tariffs in recent months, the vote was the House's first opportunity to formally register a position on Mr. Trump's trade policy since he returned to the White House and began deploying tariffs as an economic strategy." [New York Times, [2/11/26](#)]

Gonzalez Voted Against Providing Consideration Of The Law-Enforcement Innovate To De-Escalate Act, The Undersea Cable Protection Act, The Securing America's Critical Minerals Supply Act, And Blocking Consideration Of Joint Resolutions Terminating Trump's Tariffs. In February 2026, Gonzalez voted against: "Adoption of the rule (H Res 1042) providing for floor consideration of the Law-Enforcement Innovate to De-Escalate Act (HR 2189), the Undersea Cable Protection Act (HR 261), and the Securing America's Critical Minerals Supply Act (HR 3617). The rule would allow for up to one hour of debate on each measure. It would consider as adopted a substitute amendment to HR 2189 appending the text of the Innovate Less Lethal to De-Escalate Tax Modernization Act (HR 4242), as reported by the Ways and Means Committee. It also would block the expedited

consideration of joint resolutions terminating President Donald Trump's 2025 tariff actions under the Feb. 1, April 2, July 30, and Aug. 6 executive orders by providing that each day during the period from Feb. 10, 2026 through July 31, 2026, will not constitute a calendar day under the federal law pertaining to terminating national emergencies.” The resolution was rejected by a vote of 214-217. [H. Res. 1042, [Vote #60](#), 2/10/26; CQ, [2/10/26](#)]

- **The House Rejected A Republican Effort To Delay, For Months, Any Vote On Cancelling President Trump’s Tariffs.** “The House on Tuesday rejected a Republican effort to change the chamber’s rules and delay for months any vote on canceling President Trump’s tariffs, as G.O.P. defectors rebuked party leaders who have tried for a year to avoid weighing in on levies that are unpopular with many voters.” [New York Times, [2/10/26](#)]

Gonzalez Voted Against Blocking Consideration Of The Law-Enforcement Innovate To De-Escalate Act, The Undersea Cable Protection Act, And The Securing America’s Critical Minerals Supply Act. In February 2026, Gonzalez voted against: “Langworthy, R-N.Y., motion to order the previous question on the rule (H Res 1042) providing for floor consideration of the Law-Enforcement Innovate to De-Escalate Act (HR 2189), the Undersea Cable Protection Act (HR 261), and the Securing America's Critical Minerals Supply Act (HR 3617).” According to the Congressional Record, Rep. Neguse said, “Mr. Speaker, if we defeat the previous question, I will offer an amendment to the rule to strike section 4, which would stop an attempt by Republican leadership to block the House from taking up-or-down votes on President Trump’s disastrous tariff policies through the end of July.” A vote *for the motion* was a vote to block consideration of the bill. The motion was agreed to by a vote of 216-214. [H. Res. 1042, [Vote #59](#), 2/10/26; CQ, [2/10/26](#); Congressional Record, [2/10/26](#)]

September 2025: Gonzalez Voted Against Blocking Congress From Challenging Trump’s Tariffs Through March 2026

September 2025: Gonzalez Voted Against H Res 707, Which Extended Trump’s Tariff Authority Through March 2026. On 9/16/25, Gonzalez voted against H Res 707, which passed by a vote of 213-211. According to a “vote note” from U.S. Rep. McClintock: “H Res 707 goes beyond the prerogative of the majority to decide what bills are taken to the floor. This resolution amends existing law to extend the authority of the President to impose tariffs until March 30. That makes this a substantive question of policy and the responsibility of individual members to pass judgment. Under the Constitution, the power to impose tariffs is a congressional power and needs to be restored to Congress.” [Congress.gov, H Res 707, [Vote #268](#), [9/16/25](#); U.S. Rep Tom McClintock, [9/16/25](#)]

- **September 2025: Nearly Every U.S. House Republican Voted To Effectively Block Congress From Challenging Trump’s Tariff Authority Through March 2026.** “House Republicans voted in near lockstep Tuesday to again cede congressional power over tariffs to President Donald Trump. A measure that effectively blocks challenges to Trump’s sweeping global tariff declarations through March 2026 was adopted on a 213-211 vote. The vote was gavelled down only after GOP whips had a drawn-out struggle on the floor with a band of Republicans who initially opposed the legislation before flipping to yes. The vote was held open for more than a half-hour as they worked to bring the members back on board.” [Politico, [9/16/25](#)]

HEADLINE: “House Again Votes To Surrender Tariff Powers To Trump” [Politico, [9/16/25](#)]

April 2025: Gonzalez Voted Against Blocking Congress From Challenging Trump’s Tariffs Through September 2025

HEADLINE: “House GOP Leaders Move To Quash Vote On Trump’s Global Tariffs” [Politico, [4/9/25](#)]

April 2025: Gonzalez Voted Against H Res 313, Which Blocked Congress From Challenging Trump’s April 2, 2025, Emergency Declaration Through September 2025. In April 2025, Republicans voted for: “Adoption of the rule (H Res 313) that would provide for floor consideration of the Senate amendment to the fiscal 2025 budget resolution (H Con Res 14). The rule would provide up to one hour of debate on a motion to concur in the Senate amendment to the measure. It also would block the expedited consideration of joint resolutions terminating President Donald Trump’s tariff actions under the April 2 executive order by providing that each day during the period from April 9, 2025 through Sept. 30, 2025, will not constitute a calendar day under the federal law pertaining to terminating national emergencies.” The rule was adopted by a vote of 216-215. [H. Res. 313, [Vote #94](#), 4/9/25; CQ, [4/9/25](#)]

- **House Republicans Pushed A Procedural Rule That Would Curb Congress’s Power To Override Trump’s Tariffs.** “Republicans are quietly pushing a procedural rule that would curb the power of the US Congress to override Donald Trump’s chaotic tariff policy. The House of Representatives’ rules committee on Wednesday approved a measure that would forbid the House from voting on legislation to overturn the president’s recently imposed taxes on foreign imports.” [The Guardian, [4/9/25](#)]

Gonzalez Voted Against Blocking Consideration Of An Amendment Striking A Section Of The Rule That Would Prevent The House From Voting On Trump’s Tariffs. In April 2025, Gonzalez voted against: “Foxx-N.C., motion to order the previous question (thus ending debate and possibility of amendment).” According to the Congressional Record, Rep. McGovern said, “Mr. Speaker, I am going to urge that we defeat the previous question. I will offer an amendment. My amendment will simply strike section 2 of the rule. That section, tucked in the rule by Republicans this morning, prevents the House from voting on Trump’s disastrous worldwide tariffs, the ones destroying the economy and raising prices on regular Americans.” A vote *for the motion* was a vote to block consideration of the bill. The motion was agreed to by a vote of 217-212. [H Res 313, [Vote #93](#), 4/9/25; CQ, [4/9/25](#); Congressional Record, [4/9/25](#)]

Gonzalez Voted Against Blocking Consideration Of A Joint Resolution To Terminate Trump’s Tariffs. In April 2025, Gonzalez voted against: “Foxx, R-N.C., motion to order the previous question (thus ending debate and possibility of amendment).” According to the Congressional Record, Rep. McGovern said, “Mr. Speaker, I ask that we defeat the previous question. If we do, I will offer an amendment to the rule to bring up H.J. Res. 91, a joint resolution to terminate the reckless tariffs that President Trump has put in place.” A vote *for the motion* was a vote to block consideration of the bill. The motion was agreed to by a vote of 213-211. [H Res 294, [Vote #91](#), 4/8/25; CQ, [4/8/25](#); Congressional Record, [4/8/25](#)]

March 2025: Gonzalez Voted Against Blocking Congress From Challenging Trump’s Tariffs For The Rest Of The Year

March 2025: Gonzalez Voted Against Considering The FY 2025 Full-Year Continuing Appropriations Bill, The Pandemic Unemployment Fraud Enforcement Act, And The Joint Resolution Disapproving Of An Internal Revenue Service Rule Relating To Digital Asset Sales. In March 2025, Gonzalez voted against: “Adoption of the rule (H Res 211) that would provide for floor consideration of the fiscal 2025 full-year continuing appropriations bill (HR 1968); the Pandemic Unemployment Fraud Enforcement Act (HR 1156); and the joint resolution (H J Res 25) providing for congressional disapproval of an Internal Revenue Service rule relating to digital asset sales. It would

provide up to one hour of general debate on each measure. It would self-execute the Cole, R-Okla., manager's amendment to HR 1968 that would make technical corrections. The rule would also block expedited consideration of joint resolutions to terminate national emergencies declared by President Donald Trump on Feb. 1, 2025, by specifying that each day for the remainder of the first session of the 119th Congress will not be considered a calendar day under the National Emergencies Act." The rule was adopted by a vote of 216-214. [H Res 211, [Vote #67](#), 3/11/25; CQ, [3/11/25](#)]

- **New York Times: "House Republican Leaders On Tuesday Quietly Moved To Shield Their Members From Having To Vote On Whether To End President Trump's Tariffs."** "House Republican leaders on Tuesday quietly moved to shield their members from having to vote on whether to end President Trump's tariffs on Mexico, Canada and China, tucking language into a procedural measure that effectively removed their chamber's ability to undo the levies. [New York Times, [3/11/25](#)]
- **Politico: "GOP Leadership Slipped Language Into A House Rule On Their Stopgap Funding Bill That Would Prevent Any Member Of Congress From Bringing Up A Resolution Terminating Trump's Declaration Of A National Emergency."** "GOP leadership slipped language into a House rule on their stopgap funding bill that would prevent any member of Congress from bringing up a resolution terminating Trump's declaration of a national emergency over fentanyl and undocumented immigrants entering the U.S. The president has used that emergency declaration to justify his tariffs on Canada, Mexico and China." [Politico, [3/11/25](#)]

Reuters: The Procedural Vote Blocked "The Ability Of Congress To Quickly Challenge Tariffs Imposed By President Trump That Have Rattled Financial Markets." "The Republican-controlled U.S. House of Representatives voted on Tuesday to block the ability of Congress to quickly challenge tariffs imposed by President Donald Trump that have rattled financial markets. [...] The provision was tucked into a procedural vote related to the Republicans' six-month

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Lugar Center 2023 House Bipartisan Index Scores

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Representative (by score)					
#	Name		State	Party	Score
1	Brian	Fitzpatrick	PA	R	5.58759
2	Marc	Molinaro	NY	R	4.32149
3	Chris	Pappas	NH	D	2.28215
4	Mike	Lawler	NY	R	2.21337
5	Don	Davis	NC	D	2.21207
6	Jenniffer	González-Colón	PR	R	2.20303
7	Susie	Lee	NV	D	2.18570
8	Don	Bacon	NE	R	2.17525
9	Josh	Gottheimer	NJ	D	2.07107
10	Zach	Nunn	IA	R	1.90186
11	Maria	Salazar	FL	R	1.72481
12	Marie	Gluesenkamp Perez	WA	D	1.65187
13	Jimmy	Panetta	CA	D	1.60868
14	Elissa	Slotkin	MI	D	1.48821
15	David	Joyce	OH	R	1.39883
16	Young	Kim	CA	R	1.37862
17	Abigail	Spanberger	VA	D	1.36085
18	Joe	Neguse	CO	D	1.35145
19	Jen	Kiggans	VA	R	1.33049
20	Chrissy	Houlahan	PA	D	1.25172
21	Jeff	Jackson	NC	D	1.23705
22	Nancy	Mace	SC	R	1.18995
23	Andrew	Garbarino	NY	R	1.16554
24	Henry	Cuellar	TX	D	1.09227
25	Gus	Bilirakis	FL	R	1.09059
26	Mike	Turner	OH	R	1.01815
27	David	Trone	MD	D	0.99577
28	Yadira	Caraveo	CO	D	0.98084
29	Lori	Chavez-DeRemer	OR	R	0.95984
30	Jared	Golden	ME	D	0.94823
31	Derek	Kilmer	WA	D	0.88951
32	James	Moylan	GU	R	0.88452

33	Mike	Gallagher	WI	R	0.88250
34	Jay	Oberholte	CA	R	0.86006
35	John	Rutherford	FL	R	0.85402
36	Glenn	Thompson	PA	R	0.82471
37	Amata	Radewagen	AS	R	0.82027
38	David	Valadao	CA	R	0.81630
39	Kim	Schrier	WA	D	0.81450
40	Chris	Smith	NJ	R	0.81265
41	Vicente	Gonzalez	TX	D	0.79883

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