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**NEW MEXICO JUDICIAL PERFORMANCE EVALUATION COMMISSION
ANNOUNCES APPOINTMENT OF NEW MEMBER**

SANTA FE—The **New Mexico Judicial Performance Evaluation Commission (NMJPEC)** has announced the appointment of **Emeterio L. Rudolfo** of Farmington as a new member.

The Commission was established by the Supreme Court of New Mexico in 1997 to improve the performance of New Mexico’s judges and provide useful, credible information to voters on judges standing for retention in elections.

Rudolfo is a Farmington attorney who has been in private practice with the Rudolfo Law Office since 1998. He began his legal career in 1995 with the Second Judicial District New Mexico Public Defenders Office in Albuquerque. He also worked for the 11th Judicial District Public Defenders Office in Farmington before entering private practice.

Rudolfo was born in Albuquerque’s South Valley and graduated from Rio Grande High School. He earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Criminal Justice and a Juris Doctor degree from the University of New Mexico.

Rudolfo is a current member of the San Juan Labor Relations Board and the Boys and Girls Club of Farmington Board of Directors. He is also a member of the New Mexico-Sonora Commission and the Tres Rios Rotary Club. In addition, he is a former member of the City of Farmington Community Relations Commission and the St. Mary’s Parish Stewardship Committee.

The Judicial Performance Evaluation Commission is comprised of 15 individuals – seven lawyers and eight non-lawyers—who are appointed by the Supreme Court to staggered terms. Members are selected from nominations made by the Governor, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, Speaker of the House, Senate President *Pro Tempore*, House Minority Leader, Senate Minority Leader and President of the State Bar.

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