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## ❖ JUAN G. GARZA – ASSOCIATE PARTNER

### Biographical Information

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- Prior to joining Leadership Associates, Mr. Garza served as Superintendent of Kings Canyon Unified School District for 15 years. Kings Canyon Unified School District is a K-12 district with 22 schools and an enrollment of 10,000 students. He also served as Assistant Superintendent for Human Relations.
- Mr. Garza served students, parents, staff and community as Principal of a High School, Associate Principal, Principal of Alternative Education, High School Counselor, High School Teacher and Coached at various sports.
- Mr. Garza received a BA from Fresno State, Pupil Personnel Credential from San Jose State University and masters degree from Fresno Pacific University.
- Mr. Garza received an award from the James Irvine Foundation for his Leadership and was awarded the Migrant Region IV Distinguished Migrant Alumni Award. Additionally, He was inducted into the Reedley Chamber of Commerce Hall of Fame.
- Mr. Garza also serves on the Presidents' Commission for Teacher Education at Fresno State, is a member of the California Association of Latino Superintendents and Administrators (CALSA) and is Director of the Association of California School Administrators (ACSA) Superintendents' Academy in Fresno.
- Mr. Garza has co-presented with Mike Smith of Lozano Smith Law Firm on Board/Superintendent Relations.
- Mr. Garza was born in Texas to Migrant parents and followed the crops in Texas and California. His parents' base was a labor camp by Woodlake, California. He has been married to Elena for 42 years. He has a son, daughter and 2 grandchildren.