

October 26, 1989

Dr. Hector P. Garcia
1315 Bright
Corpus Christi, Texas 78405


Dear Dr. Garcia:

I called your office Monday to brief you on my friend Dr. Armando Gutierrez. Armando is the young man I introduced to you as you were leaving Sen. Carlos Truan's Appreciation Banquet a couple of weeks ago. I am enclosing some information on Armando for your consideration.

Armando was my college professor at the University of Texas. He was very supportive and helpful to "Chicano" students at U.T. He visited my home in Alice during one of those years and met my mother and father. My father thought highly of him and I know Armando held my father in high regard.

We hope that your busy schedule will allow for us to visit with you, in the near future, about Armando's race for the office of Texas State Treasurer. One of us will be calling to set up an appointment. Take care doctor.

Sincerely, *Con cariño,*



Sylvia Arriola
District Director for
Albert G. Bustamante
Member of Congress

Enclosure

ARMANDO GUTIERREZ: AN ABBREVIATED RESUME AND PERSONAL STATEMENT

- . Native of Corpus Christi, Texas; November 9, 1947.
- . B.A. -- Texas A & I University, Kingsville, Texas.
- . M.A. -- Latin American Studies, University of Texas at Austin.
- . Ph.D -- Government, University of Texas at Austin.
- . 1973 - 1979 -- Professor, University of Texas at Austin.
- . 1979 - 1983 -- Professor, University of Houston.

Advisor to President Jose Lopez Portillo and President Miguel de la Madrid, Mexico, 1980 - 1983.

Policy Advisor, Rev. Jesse L. Jackson Presidential Campaign, 1983 -1984.

Issues Director, Rev. Jesse L. Jackson Presidential Campaign, 1987.

Texas Campaign Manager, Rev. Jesse L. Jackson Presidential Campaign, 1988.

Author of over two dozen articles and books.

Democratic Party Activist.

Member TSEU/CWA, Local 6186.

Member South Austin Mexican American Democrats.

Member Austin Chapter NAACP.

Administer for \$10 Million Scholarship Program in Mexico.

Responsible for all road operation collections and expenditures for Rev. Jesse L. Jackson campaign, 1984. Not one dollar unaccounted for, nor any violations reported by the Federal Election Commission.

Responsible for entire Texas campaign operation in 1988. Not a single violation reported by the Federal Election Commission.

My first political involvement goes back to 1959 when John F. Kennedy made his run for the presidency. As a Catholic, and as many other Hispanics, I was caught up in the excitement of the young dynamic leader. In a more substantive sense, however, my involvement became more intense while a student at Texas A & I University in Kingsville as a member of the Mexican American Youth Organization (MAYO). The Vietnam War along with school walkouts in such places as Alice, Mathis, Robstown and others captured my interest and I tried to be a part of this historic period.

After graduating from A & I, I taught for a semester in Roma, Texas. My outspoken challenge to the dominance of white school administrators in a school system that was 97 percent Chicano, however, led to the failure to have my contract renewed. In the Fall of 1969 I entered graduate school at the University of Texas at Austin, majoring in Latin American Studies. While at UT I again joined MAYO and became a leading and vocal advocate for Chicano students on campus. I also became a member of Raza Unida Party and spent countless days in Crystal City, Eagle Pass, Cotulla, Carrizo Springs, Robstown and other hotbeds of Chicano activity. In 1974 I ran for State Representative in Austin as a RUP candidate and later served as the Vice Chair for the party in Texas. I was also RUP's representative on the Texas Election Code Revision Commission during this period. Upon receiving my M.A. and Ph.D., I began teaching full-time at UT. I started Chicano Politics classes, Chicano Night at the UT Union and was part of the advisory groups that began the Mexican American Studies Program at UT. I was advisor to MAYO, the Chicano Business Studies Association, Chicano Culture Committee, the Chicano Graduate Student Association and many others.

In 1979, I moved to Houston to teach at the University of Houston. While there I served as an advisor to President Jose Lopez Portillo and later to President Miguel de la Madrid. I also helped administer a scholarship program founded by Jose Angel Gutierrez for Chicanos to study in Mexico and ran a summer scholarship program at the Colegio de Mexico.

In 1983 I was asked to join the Presidential Campaign of Rev. Jesse L. Jackson. I was policy advisor and speech writer and also advised on all Hispanic and Latin American issues. I arranged, traveled with and advised Rev. Jackson's trips to Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, El Salvador and Cuba. After the campaign, I became Executive Director of the National Rainbow Coalition in Washington, D.C. In 1986 I was asked to teach at Jackson State University in Jackson, Mississippi, a historically Black University.

In June, 1987 Rev. Jackson asked me to once again join his Presidential Campaign. I was Issues Director and put together the issues department and the basic platform for the campaign. In December of 1987, Rev. Jackson asked me to become his Texas Campaign Manager. I ran the Texas operation from Austin and traveled extensively throughout the state. Although we trailed Dukakis by some 4 percent in popular vote, we did capture the majority of the delegates from Texas. After the Texas primary, I was moved to California where I was in charge of the Hispanic vote.

After the general election, I returned to Jackson State University to honor a commitment I had made to teach for one semester after the election. This Summer I moved back to Texas and am currently working in the Attorney General's office as the Director of Programs in the Communication Division. I have also helped put together the platform for Mr. Mattox's upcoming gubernatorial campaign.