

## 2020 PERA State Candidates

### Diana Rosales Ortiz



**Who is your current employer? What is your current position and how long have you held it? What are your major responsibilities?**

State Treasurer's Office, Director of Operations, Chief Risk Officer  
Full operations oversight to safeguard financial initiatives and transactions surrounding funds held on behalf of New Mexico citizens and to fulfill the agency's mission

**How long have you been a PERA member? (Which agencies or affiliates and the type of work?)**

8 year member total – Attorney General's Office and Taxation & Revenue. Performed high level, complex financial records analysis for decision making, compliance and accountability.

**Education- What is your highest degree attained?**

Master's Accounting, Bachelor's Business in Finance

**Other relevant experience:**

Certified Fraud Examiner

**What special contribution do you believe you would make to the PERA Board?**

I will be a voice (English or Spanish) for PERA members. My specialized Finance and Accounting education and my unique professional experience will assist the Board with effective and transparent decision making. I am committed to act as a steward for the trust fund holding our hard-earned retirement dollars. I will provide the highest level of oversight by promoting responsible investment strategies, close monitoring of cost and fees, while managing fund assets and eliminating unnecessary and wasteful spending. See my website <http://diana4pera.com/>

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### Renada Peery-Galon



**Who is your current employer? What is your current position and how long have you held it? What are your major responsibilities?**

Early Childhood Education and Care Department. Serve as Administrative Services Division (ASD) Director since May. Oversee budget/financial services and human resources.

**How long have you been a PERA member? (Which agencies or affiliates and the type of work?)**

17 years - ASD Director for Public Employees Retirement Association (PERA), Budget Manager and ASD Director for Children, Youth and Families Department, and Senior Fiscal Analyst for Legislative Finance Committee.

**Education- What is your highest degree attained?**

Master of Public Administration - NMSU and Bachelor of Science - ENMU.

**Other relevant experience:**

My experiences have given me a broad perspective of NM state government from working on policy and budgetary issues for the legislature to financial and operational management of state agencies.

**What special contribution do you believe you would make to the PERA Board?**

I attended PERA Board meetings for the past five years in which investments and solvency of the PERA Fund have dominated agendas. I understand NM employees are fortunate to have one of the best retirement systems in the country. I will work to ensure the solvency of the PERA Fund for current employees and retirees.