



# TEXAS JUVENILE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT

## **TJJD Board of Directors Names Daniel Guajardo as Chief of the TJJD Office of the Inspector General**

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AUSTIN, Texas -- Today the TJJD Board of Directors named Interim OIG Chief Daniel Guajardo as Chief of the TJJD Office of the Inspector General.

Guajardo joined TJJD in June 2017 as a Regional Commander, was promoted to Deputy Chief, and has served as Interim TJJD OIG Chief since March 2022.

He brings 22 years of law enforcement and criminal justice experience to his oversight of the 122-employee TJJD OIG, whose officers protect TJJD youth and staff and investigate crimes and misconduct at TJJD and county and contract juvenile facilities.

"I'm honored to be named as the Chief Inspector. I'm proud to serve and lead an outstanding group of law enforcement and investigative professionals protecting the juvenile justice system in Texas and continue my service to Texas," he said. "Thank you to the board for the confidence entrusted in me to fulfill such an important role."

Guajardo previously worked in the Special Investigations Unit of the Texas Attorney General's Office in command positions and as an investigator and he began his career as a peace officer with the Corpus Christi Police Department. His broad experience has encompassed white collar fraud, money laundering, public integrity, human trafficking, and crimes against persons investigations. He holds several law enforcement certifications, including a Master Peace Officer, Special Investigator, TCOLE Instructor, and Firearms Instructor.

A Corpus Christi native, Chief Guajardo is U.S. Army Infantry veteran, having served with the 82nd Airborne Division and the 2nd Infantry Division. He is a 2013 graduate of the FBI National Academy session #253 and a 2015 graduate of LEMIT Leadership Command College class #73.

Chief Guajardo holds a bachelor's in Criminal Justice from Midwestern State University and a Master of Science degree in Criminal Justice Leadership and Management from Sam Houston State University.

The Honorable Lisa Jarrett, Chair

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