

NEW MEXICO

New Mexico voters will head to the polls to select a new governor as current governor Michelle Lujan Grisham (D) is term limited. Voters will also select a lieutenant governor, attorney general, and treasurer. All 70 state house seats are also up for election. Democrats are expected to maintain control of the executive offices and the house.

Attorney General

Democratic Nominee

[Raúl Torrez](#)

Raúl Torrez was first elected attorney general in 2022 and is seeking a second term in office. Prior to his time as attorney general, he served as the elected district attorney for the Albuquerque metro area. He previously served as a federal prosecutor and senior advisor in the U.S. Department of Justice.

Protecting **children's online safety** is a top priority for Torrez. He has led **lawsuits against major tech companies** over allegations of online abuse. In October 2024, Torrez sued Snapchat as they failed to verify users ages. Torrez has also launched undercover operations to arrest **online predators**. In May 2026, he announced the arrest 15 predators following a four-day undercover operation titled "Operation Game Over." He won a lawsuit against Meta in March 2026 after the jury found that Meta was liable for misleading consumers about the safety of their platforms.

Torrez has also led and joined several lawsuits **examining federal executive power** in the Trump administrations. During Trump's first term in office, he led or signed onto 36 total lawsuits. Torrez is currently working to dismiss a U.S. DOJ lawsuit over a recently enacted state bill, HB 9, that prohibits state and local governments from assisting the federal government in **immigration** violations. The U.S. DOJ claims that the law infringes on federal immigration enforcement authority, while Torrez states that "New Mexico gets to decide how New Mexico's resources are used."

Torrez is also a staunch advocate for **consumer rights** and **environmental protections**, stating that he will continue to protect residents from corporate misconduct and environmental hazards. He has worked to preserve public access to natural resources, winning lawsuits that protect public rivers and streams. In June 2023, he filed a lawsuit against 21 chemical manufacturers for contaminating natural resources by manufacturing and distributing PFAS. In March 2026, he joined a lawsuit against the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for rescinding the position that greenhouse gases are harmful for public health.

Torrez has pledged to continue to strengthen **public safety** across the state. During his first term, he created the Cold Case Unit to address unsolved crimes using emerging developments in forensic genetic genealogy methods. Torrez has also worked to deliver justice to Indigenous communities, creating the Missing and Murdered Indigenous People (MMIP) portal to provide a centralized portal where users can submit tips and access up-to-date information on MMIP cases.

Trivia: Raúl Torrez holds a master's degree in international political economy and international relations from the London School of Economics.