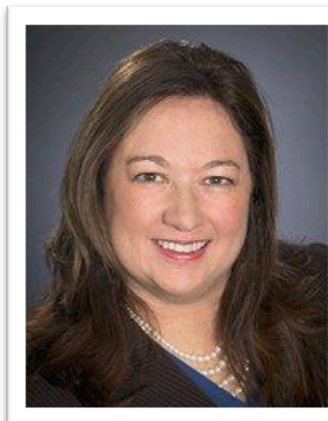


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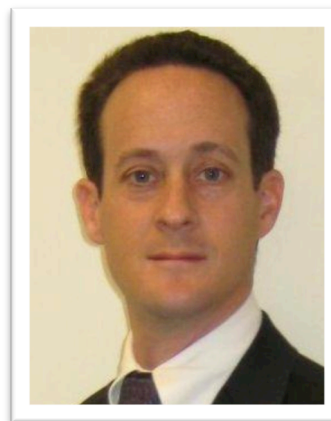
## COMMISSIONER CATHERINE J.K. SANDOVAL

Catherine J.K. Sandoval was appointed by Governor Brown in January 2011 to serve as a Commissioner at the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC). This post made her the first Latino CPUC Commissioner in the agency's 100-year history. She serves as the Co-Vice-Chair of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC) Telecommunications Committee, on the NARUC Federalism and Telecommunications Committee, and on the NARUC Utility Market Access Committee. She was appointed by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to the Federal-State Joint Conference on Advanced Telecommunications Services. She has served since 2007 on the California Emerging Technology Fund Board of Expert Advisors. She is a tenured professor at Santa Clara University School of Law where she joined the faculty in 2004 and taught Telecommunications, Broadcast, and Internet Law, Antitrust Law, and Contracts. She is an Adjunct Professor at U.C. Berkeley School of Law where she teaches Communications Law. She served as Undersecretary and Staff Director of the State of California's Business, Transportation, and Housing Agency from 2001-2004. She directed the FCC's Office of Communications Business Opportunities and was a senior manager at the FCC from 1994-1999. She was the Vice-President and General Counsel for Z-Spanish Media Corporation, and was an Associate at Munger, Tolles & Olson. She clerked for Judge Dorothy W. Nelson on the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals after earning her J.D. from Stanford Law School. She earned a Masters of Letters in Politics from Oxford University. She graduated magna cum laude with a B.A. from Yale University. She hails from Los Angeles and Montebello, California, and lives with her husband in Silicon Valley.



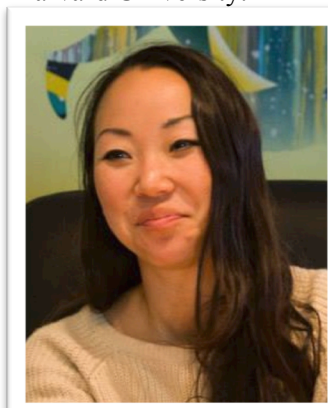
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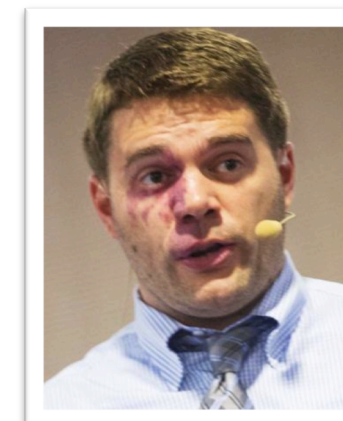
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