



# 2011 Leadership Seminar & Gala

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NHPO is proud to announce that this year's 8<sup>th</sup> Annual NHPO Gala keynote speaker is Justice David Medina of the Texas Supreme Court. The gala is a masquerade theme and will be held Saturday October 1, 2011 at the Downtown Double Tree Hotel located at 400 Dallas Street, Houston Texas 77002. This year's gala will benefit the NHPO Scholarship Fund. In conjunction with the Gala, NHPO will also host a Leadership Seminar focusing finance and on the changing demographics of Houston.

NHPO is a 501 (c)(4) non-profit organization founded on January 1, 2004. NHPO is the largest Hispanic professional organization in Houston. Its core purpose is to create networking opportunities for professionals, provide professional development and educational seminars, and enhance leadership skills. The benefits of partnering with NHPO include the educational outreach initiatives, recruitment opportunities, brand exposure to an educated consumer group, and community reinvestment.

For more information or to purchase a table or individual seats please contact Jaime L. Alvarado at [jalvarado@nhpo.us](mailto:jalvarado@nhpo.us) or visit NHPO at [www.nhpo.us](http://www.nhpo.us).

The Agenda for the Leadership Seminar and Scholarship Gala is as followed:

## ***Saturday, October 1:***

- 9:00 am Registration and Networking
- 10:00 am 7 Financial Habits of Happy and Healthy People\*
- 11:00 am Corporate Diversity Panel and Houston's Changing Demographics:  
Preparing Your Business\*\*
- 6:00 pm Gala benefiting NHPO Scholarship Fund

\***Seven Financial Habits of Happy and Healthy people** is a presentation hosted by Northwestern Mutual designed to highlight the importance of setting and working to achieve financial goals, and the resulting impact of well being. According to landmark research fielded by northwestern mutual in January 2008, people that have a financial plan and are actively working to achieve their financial goals also have greater happiness and health. This presentation reviews research findings and outlines the Seven Financial behaviors if those that are successfully achieving reduced stress, better health and greater happiness.

\*\***Corporate Diversity Panel and Houston's Changing Demographics: Preparing Your Business** offers insight to the emerging Hispanic market and potential financial impact. Participants will be immersed in the latest demographic data and trends. The corporate diversity panel will highlight best practices in corporate America and explain the impacts of diversity on business. The keynote speaker is Dr. Stephen Kleinberg. This work shop is underwritten by Ford Motor Company and includes participation from Boyar Miller, BBVA, and Houston Community College.

## Gala Keynote Speaker.....

### Justice David Medina



Justice Medina, succeeded Wallace B. Jefferson in Place 4 after Jefferson was appointed to be chief justice, following the retirement of Tom Phillips. Governor Rick Perry appointed Justice Medina on November 10, 2004. Medina had been Perry's General Counsel since January 2004.

Justice Medina was born on Galveston Island, attended public schools in Hitchcock and graduated with a bachelor science degree from Southwest Texas State University in 1980 (now Texas State University-San Marcos). In college he competed on the university's karate and baseball teams and was on the Dean's List. In 1989 he earned his Juris Doctor degree from South Texas College of Law. He was on the Dean's List and a member of the American Bar Association Regional Moot Court National Championship Team.

Justice Medina joined Cooper Industries in 1987 and was promoted to litigation counsel upon his graduation from law school. Governor George W. Bush appointed Medina to the 157th State District Court in May of 1996. Medina was re-elected in November 1996 and again in November 1998. The Houston Bar Association voted him as one of the top jurists in Harris County.

He rejoined Cooper in 2000 as associate general counsel for litigation, responsible for supervising Cooper's litigation and product-safety matters throughout the world.

Justice Medina is a former Board Member of Habitat for Humanity and Houston Metro. He currently serves on the Board for the Spring Klein Baseball Association. He is also the manager of his son's Select baseball team and has served as an adjunct professor for South Texas College of Law, where he taught advanced civil trial litigation.

