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Newsroom

ProJo on Elorza Appointment: 'An Immigrant Success Story'

RWU Law professor Jorge Elorza, the son of Guatemalan immigrants to Providence, has been appointed to the Providence Housing Court by Mayor David Cicilline.

Judge Elorza is an immigrant success story

By Edward Fitzpatrick

Granted, the Kennedys, the Bushes and other political dynasties can be interesting to write about. And if you were born on third base and managed to make it safely to home, I say: good for you.

But I'm more intrigued by the stories of people such as **Jorge O. Elorza**, the son of Guatemalan immigrants, who was born in Providence's West End.

Mayor David N. Cicilline just picked Elorza, a Roger Williams University law professor, to fill the Providence Housing Court position that Angel Taveras vacated to run for mayor (after Cicilline decided to run for Congress). Elorza's appointment requires City Council confirmation.

Elorza, 33, of Providence, grew up on Cranston Street, watching his parents work in the textile mills and jewelry factories that once drove Rhode Island's economy [...]

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