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Elorza Sworn in as Providence Mayor

Jorge O. Elorza -- a Roger Williams law professor and former Providence Housing Court judge -- was sworn in Monday as Providence's 38th mayor.

From the PROVIDENCE JOURNAL: "New Providence Mayor Elorza sworn in at midnight Sunday in private ceremony" by Kate Bramson



PROVIDENCE, R.I., January 5, 2015 — [On Monday, Jan. 5, 2015,] Jorge O. Elorza was sworn in as Providence's 38th mayor [...]

Elorza, 38, a former Housing Court Judge and **professor at the Roger Williams University School of Law**, is the son of Guatemalan immigrants who worked in factories and was raised in the city's West End. He graduated from Classical High School before going on to the University of Rhode Island and Harvard Law School.

As a law professor at Roger Williams University, Mayor Elorza co-founded the Latino Policy Institute, a think-tank dedicated to research on Latino and minority communities in Rhode Island. While serving on Providence's Housing Court, Mayor Elorza created a process to hold large banks accountable for abandoned properties in the city.

For full story, click [here](#).