EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
OCTOBER 2026 FAIRFAX GENERAL DISTRICT COURT JUDICIAL SCREENING

ALBERTO RODRIGUEZ SALVADO

Mr. Alberto Salvado resides in Silver Spring, Maryland. He received his bachelor's degree in 1998 from the University of Maryland. Mr. Salvado received his Juris Doctorate in 2001 from the University of Baltimore School of Law. Mr. Salvado is admitted to practice before all Virginia State Courts (2002) and the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia (2019). Mr. Salvado is prepared to relocate to Fairfax County if selected for the bench.

EXPERIENCE AND LEGAL ABILITY

Mr. Salvado has practiced with Salvado, Salvado & Salvado, P.C., since 2002 with his father and brother. Over the course of 24 years, Mr. Salvado has handled thousands of criminal cases and numerous family law cases throughout Northern Virginia; however, most of his caseload is in the Fairfax County General District Court. A significant portion of Mr. Salvado's practice involves representing Spanish-speaking and socioeconomically disadvantaged persons. The complexity of Mr. Salvado's cases has ranged from simple traffic infractions to published Virginia Supreme Court and Virginia Court of Appeals cases. Outside the criminal and family law context, the Committee also took note of Mr. Salvado's work in defendant's tenants in Legal Services of Northern Virginia's eviction defense pro bono program.

FAIRNESS AND TEMPERAMENT

The Committee was very impressed with Mr. Salvado's temperament, judgment, demeanor, and his fluency in Spanish. Throughout the interview process, Mr. Salvado emphasized the importance of patience and empathy for criminal defendants and civil litigants to instill trust in the judicial system. Mr. Salvado possesses a comprehensive understanding of the law and compassion for individuals involved in the criminal justice system and for individuals proceeding pro se.

PROFESSIONALISM AND INTEGRITY

Mr. Salvado is a regular attendee of the FBA General District Court and Circuit Court Committees, is a member of the FBA's Equal Access to Justice Committee and is the current president of the Hispanic Bar Association of Virginia (HBAVA). Mr. Salvado has previously served on judicial selection committee panels for the HBAVA for the Loudoun County Circuit Court, the Fairfax County Circuit Court, and the Court of Appeals of Virginia. Mr. Salvado previously served as the Chair of the Fairfax County General District Court and Fairfax County Circuit Courts' Technology Subcommittees. Mr. Salvado is an annual participant in the FBA's Annual DUI CLE and has previously served as a panelist in various FBA CLE presentations. The Committee credits Mr. Salvado's service to Legal Services of Northern Virginia's eviction defense pro bono program, participation as a panelist for CLE course, and his service on the Board of the Friends of Fairfax Juvenile Court.

OVERALL EVALUATION

The Committee was very impressed with Mr. Salvado's desire to serve litigants in the General District Court and the Fairfax County Community overall. He demonstrated exemplary patience and empathy. The Committee recommends Mr. Salvado for the General District Court Bench.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: RECOMMENDED