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Public Utility Commission Promotes Gina Misquez Smith to IT Manager

Smith to advance after 6 years of public service at the PUC

AUSTIN, TX - Today, the Public Utility Commission of Texas announced Gina Misquez Smith has been promoted from Senior Programmer to leader of the agency's information technology activities. In her new role, she leads the team for maintaining all digital technology ranging from the demands of a fully teleworked workforce and the agency's main website to the [Interchange Filing System](#) that allows the public to view all non-confidential documents filed in agency proceedings.

"Gina is one of those quiet professionals who leads her people with a clear focus and gets the job done without fanfare," said PUC Executive Director, John Paul Urban, III. "Her ascent is the product of good, old-fashioned hard work and a deep commitment to public service. Her ability to complete an MBA while working full time and raising a family is evidence of her remarkable abilities."

Misquez Smith's performance since joining the Public Utility Commission in January of 2014 mirrors her success at past employers including Texas Facilities Commission, Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, and MicroMain Corporation. She earned a BBA in Management Information Systems from New Mexico State University before earning her Master of Business Administration from the University of the Incarnate Word. Misquez Smith was also nominated for the Governor's Commission for Women's Outstanding Women in Texas Government Award for Professional Development in 2018.

"I'm excited to continue serving my fellow Texans in this role," said Misquez Smith. "I'm especially proud as a Hispanic woman to share this news during Hispanic Heritage month."

Gina joins the ranks of proven female leaders at the PUC that include Chairman DeAnn Walker, Commissioner Shelly Botkin and multiple division directors.

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About The Public Utility Commission of Texas: Founded in 1975, when the Texas Legislature enacted the Public Utility Regulatory Act (PURA), the Public Utility Commission (PUC) aims to serve Texans by regulating the state's electric, telecommunication, and water and sewage utilities, implementing respective legislation, and offering customer assistance in resolving consumer complaints. PUC's mission is to protect customers, foster competition, and to promote high quality infrastructure. **To learn more, please visit <https://www.puc.texas.gov/>**