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She received her L.L.M. in International Business & Human Rights from the University of Oklahoma College of Law in May 2018. She received her Juris Doctorate from the University of Oklahoma College of Law in May 2016, and was admitted into the Oklahoma Bar in September 2016. During law school, she was a member of the Oklahoma Journal of Law & Technology and was Vice President of the Oklahoma International Law Society. Additionally, Rebeca served as a lead researcher, writer, and editor of a research team under the direction of Professor Evelyn Aswad. The team researched and wrote a memorandum that was submitted to the State Department regarding the atrocities committed by ISIS in the Middle East against religious minorities, which included a legal analysis of the situation as it related to genocide designations.

Rebeca graduated *magna cum laude* from the University of Texas at San Antonio with a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science, and a minor in Business Administration.