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Virjinya Torrez serves as TICA's Secretary; and is an Assistant Attorney General for the Pascua Yaqui Tribe, a federally recognized Indian tribe located southwest of Tucson, Arizona. Her work for the Tribe is varied, but she primarily represents the Tribe's Public Safety, Human Resources, Education, Enrollment, TGO, Veterans Affairs, Finance, and Facilities Management Departments and programs; and serves as secondary representation to the Tribe's Health, Economic and Community Development, and IT Departments. Prior to joining the Pascua Yaqui Tribe, Virjinya served as an Assistant Attorney General for the Tohono O'odham Nation, and also spent several years in private practice.

Virjinya earned both her J.D. and her M.A. in American Indian Studies in 2006 from the University of Arizona, and she earned her B.A. in Political Science (specializing in International Relations) and East Asian Studies in 2001 from the University of Iowa, with certificates in International Business and American Indian and Native Studies. She is admitted to practice in both the federal and state courts of Arizona, the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals, the Tohono O'odham Judicial Court, and the Pascua Yaqui Tribal Court. Virjinya serves as an appointed State Bar of Arizona representative on the DNA - People's Legal Services, Inc. Board of Directors, and as the Bar's representative to the Arizona State, Tribal & Federal Court Forum. She also serves in the community as a Trustee on the Community Foundation for Southern Arizona's Board of Directors, where she is Chair of the Governance Committee. She is a 2016 graduate of the State Bar of Arizona's Bar Leadership Institute, is a Past Chair of the State Bar of Arizona's Indian Law Section, and is the immediate past chair of Tucson Unified School District's Native American Education Advisory Committee. Virjinya is Cherokee/Seminole/Muscogee Creek, and is an enrolled member of the Cherokee Nation of Oklahoma. She is also the mother of several boys ranging in age from 22 to 5.



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