

**AMIGOS LIBRARY SERVICES, INC.**  
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**NOMINATION ACCEPTANCE AND BIOGRAPHIC INFORMATION FORM**

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**Candidate** Ruben F. Aragón

I accept the nomination to serve as a candidate for: The Amigos Library Services, Inc., Board of Directors

NAME, TITLE & INSTITUTION	MAILING ADDRESS	
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EDUCATION (LIST MOST RECENT FIRST)		
Degree	Institution	Dates
Master of Science in Library Science	Catholic University of America, Washington, DC	1980-82
Bachelor of Science	New Mexico Highlands University, Las Vegas, NM	1973-78
POSITIONS (LIST MOST RECENT FIRST)		
Position	Institution	Dates
Director of Library & Info. Services	New Mexico Highlands University	1992-present
Library Consultant	The GEO Group, Inc., (Clayton, New Mexico)	
	Northeastern New Mexico Detention Facility	2009-present
Library Consultant	The GEO Group, Inc., (Santa Rosa, New Mexico)	
	Guadalupe County Correctional Facility	2002-present
Associate Library Director	New Mexico Highlands University	1985-1992
Librarian/Tech. Info. Specialist	USDA, National Agricultural Library	1980-1984
Assistant to the Associate Director	USDA, National Agricultural Library	1976-1980
HONORS, AWARDS, PRIZES, MEDALS, CITATIONS		
Certificate of Appreciation – New Mexico Newspaper Project. (1996)		
Proclamation of Appreciation – Participant as an expert witness and ambassador for New Mexico Highlands University during the 2 <sup>nd</sup> session of the 41 <sup>st</sup> New Mexico Legislature. (1994)		
Proclamation of Appreciation – Governor appointee for serving a three year term on the New Mexico Advisory Council on Libraries. (1992-95).		
Recognition of Vision and Dedication – New Mexico Consortium of Academic Libraries President. (2000-01).		
Recognition of Vision and Dedication – New Mexico Consortium of Academic Libraries President. (2008-09).		
New Mexico Academic Librarian of the Year. (2013-14).		
Appreciation of Dedicated Service – Board of Directors, AMIGOS Library Services. (2013-14).		

**MEMBERSHIP AND ACTIVITIES IN STATE, REGIONAL, AND NATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS**

New Mexico Consortium of Academic Libraries – Member (1987-Present) President-Elect (1999-2000), President (2000-01). President-Elect (2007-2008), President (2008-09).  
New Mexico Consortium of Academic Libraries Legislative Committee – Member (2001-present) Chair (2004-present)  
Amigos Nominating Committee (2003-2004)  
New Mexico School Task Force – Member (1998-Present)  
New Mexico Advisory Council on Libraries – Member (1992-2000), Vice-Chair (1998-2000).  
New Mexico Library Association (NMLA) (1985-Present)  
NMLA Government Documents Committee – Member, Vice-Chair, Chair (1987-89)  
New Mexico Bond Task Force (1998-Present)  
New Mexico Bond Steering Committee (2003-Present)  
Search & Screen Committee for NM State Librarian – Chaired committees in 1998 and 2003.

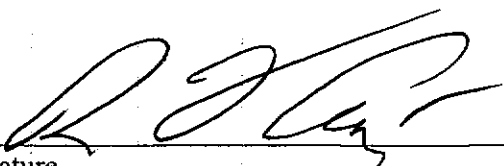
**PUBLICATIONS**

Aragon, R., Hoyt, D., Waters, S. (May 1980). Your own hands TIS system uses widely available word processing equipment capable both of accessing and interacting with larger computers and other word processors. Agricultural Libraries Information Notes, vol. 6, issue 5, pgs. 1-2.  
Hoyt, D., Aragon, R. (June 1981). TIS Technical Information Systems training and education services. Agricultural Libraries Information Notes, vol. 7, issue 6, pgs. 1-2.

**STATEMENT OF CONCERN**

The Board of Directors has fiduciary oversight responsibility and defines policies to guide the AMIGOS organization. As a member of the AMIGOS Board of Directors during fiscal year 2013-14, I had the great opportunity to serve the membership, working with the AMIGOS administration to help libraries obtain information technology affordably and to facilitate collaboration and resource-sharing among members has been a challenge.

New Mexico Highlands University has been an active member of Amigos since 1977. During this time, my Library has consistently benefitted from membership in cost savings, access to continuing education for staff and managers, and professional networking opportunities. My experience in serving on numerous committees at the University level, as well as state-wide committees in academic, public and school libraries has provided me with the professional growth in decision making skill. If I'm elected, I feel that I can continue to contribute to the Board, in assisting Amigos to remain a successful and nationally recognized library cooperative.

  
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Signature

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