



### **Carl Hernandez**

Dean Carl Hernandez comes from a family of migrant farm workers who settled in California's San Joaquin Valley. Their legacy of hard work shaped his life.

He began his legal career with the law firm of McCormick, Kobot, Michner and Foley in Visalia, California, before becoming a deputy city attorney for the city of Bakersfield, California.

Dean Hernandez joined J. Reuben Clark Law School in 2001 as Assistant Dean. He is Chair of the Faculty Committee on Admissions, and he represents the law school in education "pipeline" initiatives. Dean Hernandez also is an adjunct faculty member for the Marriott School of Management at BYU, where he teaches state and local government law.

In 2006, students honored Dean Hernandez with the Romney Institute of Public Management's Professor of the Year Award. He has received the Student Bar Association's Distinguished Service Award two times and the Utah Minority Bar Association's 2003 Honoree of the Year Award. Dean Hernandez has served on the board of trustees for the Tulare-Kings Counties Legal Services and as a member and chair of the Utah Governor's Hispanic/Latino Advisory Council. In 2008, he was elected to the Orem City Council.

Carl Hernandez and his wife Christy have six children: Chrisanne (18), Coralee (16), Cameron (14), Conner (11), Carson (9), and Clarissa (6).

Inspirational thought that has helped you during difficult times.

"Thomas Jefferson said a difference of opinion does not always amount to a difference in principle. We all have more in common than we realize. Looking for the good in others and helping them to realize their full potential helps us to forget about our own problems."