

BIOGRAPHICAL STATEMENT OF XAVIER PLANTA

Xavier Planta joined the Legal Aid Center of Southern Nevada in 2009 as a Staff Attorney with the Children's Attorneys Project ("CAP"). His interest in child welfare grew after he accepted a pro bono CAP case involving a sibling group of three. Since joining CAP, Xavier has represented thousands of children in foster care.

Xavier previously served as the Nevada Women's Philanthropy Fellow focusing on early representation of children entering the foster care system. He became a CAP Team Chief in 2016 supervising a team of staff attorneys and legal assistants, and was promoted to Deputy Directing Attorney providing day-to-day leadership and management of CAP that reflects the organization's mission and core values.

Xavier received his undergraduate degree from the University of Washington and his juris doctorate from the University Of Oregon School Of Law. He is licensed to practice law in Nevada and Washington State. When he is not practicing law, Xavier enjoys spending time outdoors with his wife and two young boys.