



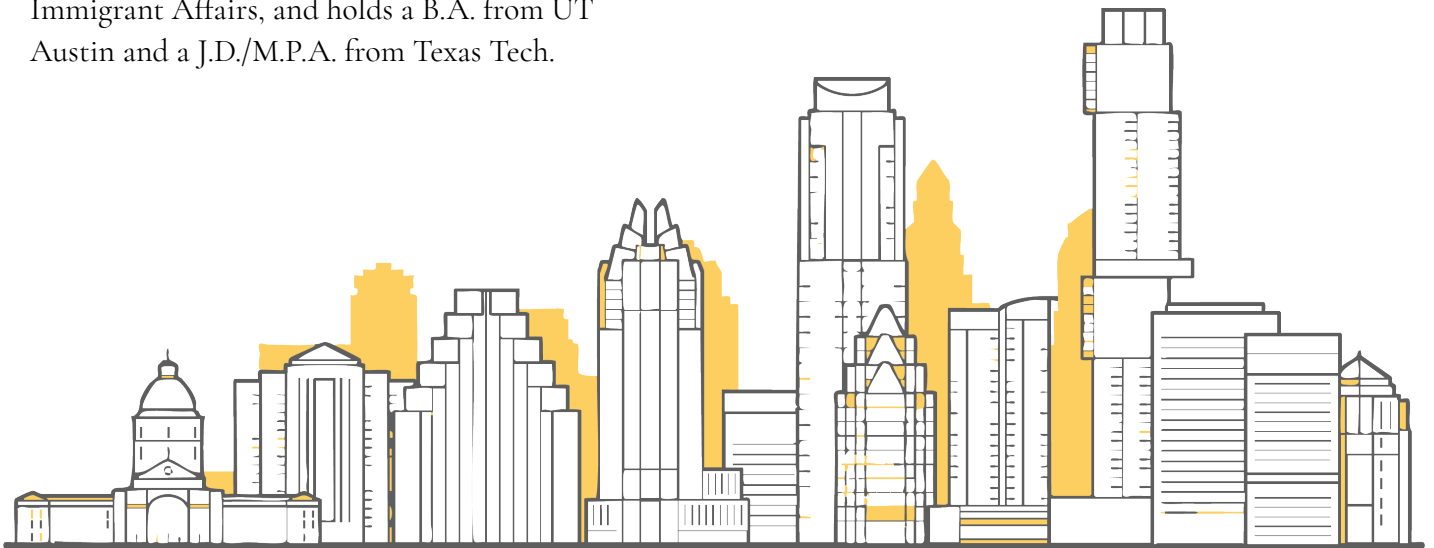
Alondra G. Johnson
President

Alondra Johnson is an attorney and founder of A.G. Johnson Law, PLLC, a solo practice she has run in Austin since 2013. Her work is currently focused on child welfare, though she is working to return to immigration practice — where she started, first at RAICES and later with the Workers Defense Project. Alondra currently serves as Vice Chair of the City of Austin's Commission on Immigrant Affairs, and holds a B.A. from UT Austin and a J.D./M.P.A. from Texas Tech.



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Professional background: Alondra is an attorney and founder of a solo practice in Austin since 2013, focused on child welfare with a return to immigration law in progress. Started in immigration through an Equal Justice Works fellowship at RAICES (unaccompanied children) and later at the Workers Defense Project (immigrant construction workers). Also has policy experience as a Senior Policy Analyst in the Texas Senate and Chief of Staff for Austin City Council District 1; currently Vice Chair of the City of Austin's Commission on Immigrant Affairs. B.A. from UT Austin, J.D./M.P.A. from Texas Tech.



In my free time I like to... Get out of the city — a long scenic drive is my reset button. I'm about to take up rowing, and I travel whenever the calendar cooperates.

Why I joined the board. I came to Welcome Table through St. James, where I served on the Vestry. My legal work meets families after something has gone wrong; Welcome Table works upstream of that, building the community that keeps people from ending up in my office.

My favorite thing about Austin. I moved here from the border at eight, went to Akins High School, then UT — this is where I was raised. I love that it still holds room for the East Austin that raised generations of families and the city that keeps arriving.

What community means to me. I've spent much of my life as the translator — interpreting for asylum seekers, explaining a courtroom to a family that's never been inside one. Community is the opposite of having to explain yourself to be cared for. It's a place where a seat is already yours before you arrive.



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