

3 Experts Available for Timely Analysis on Biden v. Texas

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The Supreme Court is expected to make a decision on <u>Biden v. Texas</u> this Thursday, which will determine whether federal immigration law requires the Biden administration to keep the "Remain in Mexico" policy in place (a policy requiring certain noncitizens to return to Mexico during their immigration proceedings).

For reporters covering this case and looking for expert analysis and commentary for their reporting, the following researchers are available.

ERNESTO CASTAÑEDA

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Castañeda is the founding director of the Immigration Lab. He is also the author of several books, including <u>Building Walls: Excluding Latin People in the United States</u>. He has two forthcoming books on immigration myths and Central American unaccompanied children.

Quote: "The main problem for asylum seekers is the uncertainty and the long waits. Quick decisions about the ability to ask for asylum and whether they can enter the U.S. with permission would go a long way to reduce suffering and help them consider options like returning to their country if they do not face persecution or apply for asylum in Mexico or another country."

JOSIAH M. HEYMAN

The University of Texas at El Paso



Heyman recently chaired the American Anthropological Association's task force on border walls, whose <u>report</u> was recently published. He is the author of numerous accessible public essays as well as academic works, including one publication <u>relevant to preventing entry at the border</u>. His latest published book is <u>Paper Trails: Migrants, Documents, and Legal Insecurity</u>,

MARGATH A. WALKER

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Walker is a geographer whose research focuses on borders, security, and US-Mexico.

Quote: "Remain in Mexico is not in the best interest of those seeking asylum. The policy is considered inhumane and runs contrary to international law according to many legal experts. Many struggle to find legal representation outside of the US and are forced to return to a country where they are in personal danger."