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## **Newly Elected Board of Directors for Equal Access to Justice**

Equal Access to Justice is pleased to announce and welcome their newly elected Board of Directors:

M. Karen Kilgore, *Cuddy & McCarthy, LLP* – President  
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The newly elected board is instrumental in supporting Equal Access to Justice's longstanding efforts to break down barriers to justice, by increasing resources for civil legal aid nonprofits. These nonprofits provide free legal assistance, representation, and systemic legal advocacy to low-income New Mexicans, who otherwise could not afford an attorney. Through this work more people are given a fair chance, unjust policies are changed, and thousands of New Mexicans get help resolving complex problems. Ultimately, legal aid promotes family and economic stability and uplifts our community.

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*Equal Access to Justice is a 501 (c) (3) nonprofit organization founded in 1988 by concerned attorneys who saw firsthand how many New Mexicans with civil legal problems could not get legal help. Today, Equal Access to Justice continues to raise vital funds to make sure justice is not denied to New Mexicans on the low-end of the income ladder. For more information and to make an investment in our community, visit [www.eaj-nm.org](http://www.eaj-nm.org).*