

Mr. George Perezvelez currently serves as the Chair of the BART Police Citizen Review Board (BPCRB) in California, a multi county oversight board serving the Bay Area. Mr. Perezvelez was first appointed to the BPCRB in 2011 at its inception and served as its first Chair.

Under his leadership, the BPCRB, in conjunction with the BART OIPA (Office of the Independent Auditor) reviewed and recommended to the BART Board of Directors the approval of fifty-five recommendations from the OIPA commissioned ROI report resulting in the enhancement of both the OIPA and BPCRB oversight model.

The BPCRB implemented General Orders addressing the Treatment of Transgender Individuals, Homeless Outreach, Body Worn Cameras, Fare Evasion, Impartial Policing as well as the implementation of a minimal Use of Force standard for the BART Police department. One of the first such orders in the country.

In addition, Mr. Perezvelez currently serves as the Vice-Chair of the Berkeley Police Review Commission (PRC). Appointed in 2007, Mr. Perezvelez has served as its Vice- Chair or Chair for eight years. Under his leadership the PRC has implemented General Orders addressing Fair and Impartial Policing, Body Worn Cameras, Use of Force, Treatment of Transgender Individuals, Lexipol Compliance, CA Police Department Accreditation, Mutual Aid Pacts as well as the recently empowered City of Berkeley Police Oversight Model Review.

Mr. Perezvelez serves on disciplinary boards of inquiry (BPCRB and the PRC) on allegations of misconduct by police officers. Such boards generate findings and recommend discipline as needed.

Prior to moving to California in 2002, Mr. Perezvelez served in the United States Navy Submarine fleet earning an honorable discharge and a Veteran designation. Prior to and after his military service, Mr. Perezvelez centered his work on civil rights, social justice, equality, police reform, public safety, labor rights, immigration and voting rights through organizations like ACT UP, Project Open Hand, La Raza and the Southern Immigration Coalition in Atlanta Georgia.

Mr. Perezvelez has been an institutional member of NACOLE via two oversight boards since 2007. Mr. Perezvelez is currently part of the 2018 NACOLE Annual Conference Committee and is the monitor for the "How to Positively Impact Agency Culture by Influencing Training" presentation by the Los Angeles Office of the Inspector General.

In his community, Mr. Perezvelez serves as the treasurer of the East Bay Stonewall Democratic Club, a social political action group which advocates at the local and state level for equality, inclusion, safety and accessibility for the LGBTQI community and its allies. Mr. Perezvelez is an alternate member of the Alameda County Central Democratic Party and vice-chair of the finance committee.

Mr. Perezvelez served on the Berkeley Commission on labor, a board advocating for labor rights, wages and working conditions for all employees and unions in the Bay Area. Mr. Perezvelez has served as a public safety adviser to Berkeley City Council members Lori Droste, Susan Wengraf, Kate Harrison, Darryl Moore and former Mayor Tom Bates.

Mr. Perezvelez works as a Director of Operations of a restaurant group in San Francisco. Mr. Perezvelez holds a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from Clark University and an Associate Degree in Culinary Arts and Restaurant Management from Johnson and Wales. Mr. Perezvelez lives in Berkeley, CA with his partner, Thomas Francis who is a Water Resources Manager for the Bay Area Water Supply & Conservation Agency.