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Carlina Tapia-Ruano, class of 1977, has been named President of the American Immigration Lawyers Association (AILA).

Tapia-Ruano is the first Hispanic to be elected to this position in the 60 year history of AILA. An expert in various areas of immigration law including business, consular practice, deportation, employer sanctions, family, and naturalization Tapia-Ruano has served as a leading AILA spokesperson on these issues.

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Tapia-Ruano, who is a member of Illinois Wesleyan's Board of Trustees, received an honorary Doctor of Laws degree when she delivered the University's commencement address in 2004.



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