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Edinburg Mayor Richard Molina, wife indicted by a grand jury

EDINBURG – A grand jury has indicted Edinburg Mayor Richard Molina, 40, and his wife, Dalia Molina, 42, on election fraud charges.

According to Hidalgo County Criminal District Attorney Ricardo Rodriguez Jr., the Edinburg Mayor is charged with one count of Engaging in Organized Election Fraud, which is a first-degree felony, and 11 counts of Illegal Voting, a second-degree felony.

Dalia Molina is charged with one count of Engaging in Organized Election Fraud and two counts of Illegal Voting.

The indictment was handed down this afternoon. The range of punishment for Organized Election Fraud is five to 99-years (or life) and two to 20 years for Illegal Voting.

The grand jury is empowered by law to conduct legal proceedings and investigate potential criminal conduct to determine whether criminal charges are warranted.

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Note to Editors, News Directors and Reporters: As this is an ongoing case, there will be no further statements or comments at this time.