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Astrid Dominguez is the ACLU of Texas' Director of the Border Rights Center (BRC). In this role, she manages the development and implementation of border-related policy, advocacy and communications strategies; she collaborates with the Immigrant Rights Project staff at the National office, San Diego, Arizona, New Mexico and Texas affiliate staff on border-wide policy goals.

Astrid joined the ACLU of Texas in May 2012 as a Border Rights Fellow coordinating the U.S.-Mexico Binational Abuse Documentation Project at the Texas border. Until October 2016 she led the Lower Rio Grande Valley office as Policy and Advocacy Coordinator, focusing her work on border residents' and migrants' civil and human rights. She played a leadership role in a coalition of community organizations committed to bringing transparency and accountability to CBP (Customs and Border Protection), the nation's largest law enforcement agency, and was at the front lines of ACLU's response to the increased migration of children and families from Central America. Prior to joining the ACLU of Texas, Astrid worked for the Mexican Foreign Ministry at the Consulates of Brownsville, Texas and Phoenix, Arizona. During her time at the Mexican Foreign Ministry, Astrid worked on civil rights violations issues at the border and in detention centers; she worked closely with the Mexican Communities Abroad. Astrid also participated in negotiations leading to a local Memorandum of Understanding on the Safe, Orderly, Dignified and Human Repatriation of Mexican Nationals between the U.S. and Mexico.