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Edgardo Cortés has worked in elections for two decades. He currently serves as an Election Security Advisor to the Brennan Center for Justice, where he consults on the development of regulation, legislation, and litigation.

Cortés spearheaded election modernization efforts in Virginia as Commissioner of Elections during the McAuliffe administration, including the implementation of electronic voter registration at DMVs. He has worked in election agencies at the local, state, and federal level; directed Congressional field campaigns and national non-partisan voter registration programs; and led voting rights restoration efforts in Virginia.

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