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FTA Tobacco Tax Section Annual Conference 2026

Hotel Washington

SPEAKERS

[Agustin E. Rodriguez](#) | [Nicholas Ramos](#)

[Agustin Rodriguez](#) and [Nick Ramos](#) will participate in the “Legal Update: Federal and State Issues” panel at the upcoming FTA Tobacco Tax Section Annual Conference. The panel will offer a timely overview of key legal and regulatory developments shaping the nicotine pouch and vapor product landscape at both the federal and state levels.

Topics will include a review of recent state legislative activity surrounding nicotine pouches, with a close look at the notable Texas/RJR nicotine pouch decision and its broader implications for the industry. Agustin and Nick will also examine state vapor product/nicotine pouch directory requirements, including the current status of litigation challenging those frameworks. Rounding out the discussion, the panel will address FDA’s recent enforcement discretion policy applicable to nicotine pouches and some types of vapor products, and what it means for manufacturers, retailers, and other stakeholders navigating the evolving regulatory environment.

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