

## Carol J. Galante Biography

Carol Galante is the I. Donald Terner Distinguished Professor in Affordable Housing and Urban Policy and the Faculty Director of the Terner Center for Housing Innovation. She also co-chairs the Policy Advisory Board of the Fisher Center of Real Estate and Urban Economics.

Galante served in the Obama Administration for over five years as the Assistant Secretary for Housing/Federal Housing Commissioner at the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and as the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Multifamily Housing programs.

As FHA commissioner during the recent financial crisis, Galante provided key leadership in the housing sector, including strengthening FHA's infrastructure and policies while providing access to credit that helped stabilize the housing market. She also developed signature initiatives that provided better opportunities to low income families including Choice Neighborhoods and the Rental Assistance Demonstration Program.

Prior to her appointment at HUD, Galante was President and Chief Executive of BRIDGE Housing Corporation, the largest non-profit developer of affordable, mixed-income and mixed-use developments in California. Galante has also worked for local government in city planning and community economic development. She is a licensed real estate broker (currently inactive) and holds a Master of City Planning from U.C. Berkeley, and a Bachelor of Arts from Ohio Wesleyan.