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From 2022-2024, she served as a Senior Advisor on Gender and Equality in the U.S. Department of Justice, Office for Victims of Crime, where she helped to lead the development of the first-ever U.S. National Plan to End Gender-Based Violence.

In Fall 2021, she served as a Special Advisor to the White House Gender Policy Council. From 2015-2017, she served in the Obama-Biden Administration as the White House Advisor on Violence Against Women, Senior Advisor to Vice President Joe Biden, and member of the White House Council on Women and Girls.

Over the past two decades, Professor Bettinger-López has engaged in advocacy before domestic and international law and policy forums to address gender-based violence, racial justice, and immigrants' rights.

From 2017-2021, Professor Bettinger-Lopez served as an Adjunct Senior Fellow at the Council on Foreign Relations, in addition to her teaching responsibilities. She has taught at University of Chicago School of Law and Columbia Law School; and was a Skadden Fellow at the ACLU Women's Rights Project and federal law clerk.

She is a Commissioner on the Lancet Commission on Gender-Based Violence and Maltreatment of Young People. She is the recipient of a Roddenberry Fellowship (COURAGE in Policing Project, focused on police response to domestic violence and sexual assault) and a TIME'S UP Legal Defense Fund grant (Voces Unidas Project, to support low-wage immigrant women workers).