

Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP has had a dedicated Latin America Group since 1990, significantly longer than most major law firms. Our group has advised clients on a significant number of matters throughout the region, including mergers and acquisitions, corporate financings, international banking matters, project financings, private equity transactions, restructurings, privatizations, and international arbitration and complex litigation matters.

We represent many major Latin American and international companies, investment banks and financial institutions, including underwriters and issuers, and individual directors and officers in some of the largest, most high-profile transactions and disputes in Latin America. Our attorneys utilize the firm's experience in all practice areas — tax, governance, bankruptcy/restructuring, technology, intellectual property, arbitration/litigation, regulatory investigation and enforcement, structured finance, antitrust and real estate — to ensure the most cost-efficient representation of our clients.

We have worked in more than 20 countries throughout the region, including Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Jamaica, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Trinidad and Tobago, Uruguay, Venezuela and the commonwealth of Puerto Rico.

Our work in Latin America has been recognized for numerous rankings and “deal of the year” awards, including:

- named the top Corporate/M&A practice and among the top two main international firms overall in the region by *Latinvex's* Top Law Firms 2019;
- ranked first among international law firms advising on 2017 *Latin American* M&A deals by *Latin Lawyer*;
- ranked in the top tier for Corporate/M&A: International in Brazil by *Chambers Global 2019* and *Chambers Latin America 2019*, which also ranked the firm in the top tier for Banking and Finance in Latin America; and
- recognized by *Latin Lawyer*, *LatinFinance* and other publications with “deal of the year” distinctions for numerous representations in the region, including Domestic M&A Deal of the Year by *Latin-Finance*.

Corporate Transactions

We advise public and private companies, private equity firms and financial sponsors, investment banks, government entities, and other institutions and individuals in almost every type of transactional situation. Our attorneys handle mergers and acquisitions for clients in the region across a full range of industries. We also have advised on all varieties of equity and debt instruments, represented issuers and underwriters in public and private financings, and counseled on derivatives and financial products. Skadden has handled numerous leveraged financings for clients throughout Latin America, and we have closed numerous complex project financings, including a number that have been named “deal of the year.”

Disputes

Skadden can rapidly assemble a focused, integrated and efficient team to address all aspects of a client's cases in multiple jurisdictions and forums. We represent clients in cross-border disputes as well as before major international arbitral institutions; litigate high-profile international cases before trial and appellate courts; and manage disputes with the assistance of local counsel in Latin America and numerous other international jurisdictions, including all major offshore places of incorporation. We also handle cross-border investigations for clients throughout the region. Our attorneys have advised on issues involving corruption/bribery, antitrust/cartels, money laundering, economic sanctions, customs and export controls, insider trading, market abuse and accounting.