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Finance



Nicolas Perez-Sierra represents banks and other financial institutions in U.S. and international financings, particularly throughout Latin America. These matters have included cross-border acquisition financings, project finance, leveraged buyouts, structured financing, asset-based loans and syndicated loans. Mr. Perez-Sierra is fluent in Spanish and regularly negotiates and drafts legal documentation in both English and Spanish. In recognition of his work, Mr. Perez-Sierra has been selected for inclusion in *Chambers Global* and *Chambers Latin America*.

Notable representations include:

- Bank of America, N.A., HSBC Securities (USA) Inc. and a syndicate of lenders in a \$1 billion syndicated revolving credit facility to Empresas Públicas de Medellín E.S.P.
- BNP Paribas Securities Corp., Natixis, New York Branch, Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation and The Bank of Nova Scotia as joint lead arrangers and joint bookrunners, and BNP Paribas Securities Corp., Natixis, New York Branch, Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation and The Bank of Nova Scotia as joint lead arrangers, joint bookrunners and co-sustainability structuring agents in the ESG-linked US\$300 million senior credit and guaranty agreement of Argos North America Corp., a subsidiary of Cementos Argos S.A.
- several creditors and underwriters in the \$1 billion-plus out-of-court global debt restructuring of Alsea, S.A.B. de C.V., one of the largest restaurant operators in Latin America and Europe, with a brands portfolio that includes Domino's Pizza, Starbucks, Burger King, Chili's Grill & Bar, P.F. Chang's, The Cheesecake Factory, Vips and TGI Fridays
- Tranche A-2 debtor-in-possession (DIP) lenders in providing a \$550 million DIP-to-exit facility in the Chapter 11 cases of Avianca Holdings S.A. and its affiliates
- BBVA Bancomer, S.A., Institución de Banca Múltiple, Grupo Financiero BBVA Bancomer, BofA Securities, Inc., Scotiabank Inverlat, S.A., Institución de Banca Múltiple and Grupo Financiero Scotiabank Inverlat as joint lead arrangers and joint bookrunners in the US\$620 million acquisition financing to Bodega Latina Corporation, a subsidiary of Grupo Comercial Chedraui, S.A.B. de C.V., to finance the acquisition of Smart & Final Holdings, Inc.
- Grupo Lamosa, S.A.B. de C.V. in the US\$200 million senior credit and guaranty agreement arranged by The Bank of Nova Scotia to finance the acquisition of Tiles Investments and Holdings, S.L.
- Credit Suisse Asset Management Mexico and Nexxus Capital in the conversion of their US\$38.1 million subordinated convertible loans to AgileThought, Inc. in connection with its business combination (de-SPAC) with the SPAC LIV Capital Acquisition Corp, with a market capitalization of approximately US\$421 million
- Supermercados Peruanos S.A., a subsidiary of InRetail Peru Corp., in its \$360 million acquisition of Latin American wholesaler Makro Supermayorista S.A. from Dutch group SHV. Skadden also advised the company in a bridge credit facility of \$375 million arranged by JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. to finance the acquisition
- Credit Suisse AG, London Branch as administrative agent in the refinancing of US\$256 million of secured loans for the Province of Neuquén, Argentina

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- Bank of America, N.A. and BBVA Bancomer S.A. in connection with the \$430 million financing to Aeropuerto de Cancún, S.A. de
- BBVA Bancomer as administrative agent and a syndicate of lenders in a MXP\$4.5 billion and €436 million facility for Alsea, S.A.B. de C.V. and Food Service Project, S.L. The proceeds were partially used to finance the purchase by Alsea of 100% of the equity interests in Sigla, S.A.
- Caoba Inversiones S.A.S., a joint venture between Celsia Colombia S.A. E.S.P. and Cúbico Sustainable Investments Spain S.L., in a \$335 million loan from The Bank of Nova Scotia, Export Development Canada and Scotiabank Colpatria S.A. to acquire and develop power transmission projects in Colombia
- Credit Suisse in connection with a:
 - \$200 million loan to Graña y Montero S.A.A. to finance a portion of its equity contributions to Concesionaria Gasoducto Sur Peruano S.A., which is developing a pipeline running from the Peruvian Amazon to the cities of Cusco, Apurimac, Puno, Arequipa, Moquegua and Tacna
 - \$150 million loan to YPF S.A. to finance foreign trade transactions
 - \$125 million financing to Arrendadora Aeronautica for the acquisition of various aircraft. The financing was secured by receivables arising out of transportation services agreements with PEMEX
 - syndicated \$115 million secured financing to Grupo LIPU, S.A. de C.V. for the acquisition of Settepi
 - \$113 million syndicated sovereign financing to the government of Aruba
 - \$100 million secured refinancing facility to Envases del Plata S.A.
 - \$50 million credit facility to Profertil S.A.
 - \$35 million credit facility to Tropigas de El Salvador S.A.
 - \$165 million loan to Casas Javer, S.A. De C.V.