

LATIN AMERICAN FIRMS LEADING IN THE WORLD OF PRO BONO

Leading lights

By completing this survey, all of the participating firms have demonstrated an awareness of the importance of the practice of pro bono. Indeed, the results suggest that they are all making headway in instilling a pro bono culture in their institutions, albeit in different ways and at varying speeds.

Our research reveals that some of those firms demonstrate an above-average commitment to pro bono by making it an essential part of their philosophy and professional infrastructure. Based on responses to this survey, research over the years and subsequent conversations with those close to the practice, we have selected from the participants a group of firms that we believe should be in the spotlight due to their considerable efforts towards institutionalising the practice and the significant amount of pro bono work they do.

In celebration of their achievements we list those law firms in the shaded table below.

We have taken a number of factors into consideration when drawing up this list, including how institutionalized the service is. For example, we were interested in whether the firm is a signatory of the PBDA and, importantly, meeting the PBDA's commitments. These commitments include taking steps to institutionalize the practice, which we would consider relevant whether or not a firm is a signatory. For example, does the firm monitor pro bono hours and does it have a pro bono coordinator? Is pro bono work tied to associate training, evaluation and salary? We also wanted to know how many of a firm's lawyers do pro bono, and how much they do. In those countries where it is applicable, we placed importance on whether the firm is a member of a clearing house and whether the firm supports it financially.

While this is by no means an exhaustive list, we hope it will give readers an idea of the efforts that firms across Latin America are taking to provide free legal services to those in need.

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Headrick Rizik Alvarez & Fernández
Koury Lopes Advogados
Jáuregui y Navarrete
Jones Day (Mexico)
Lloreda Camacho & Co Attorneys
Marval, O'Farrell & Mairal
Mattos Filho, Veiga Filho, Marrey Jr e Quiroga Advogados
Miranda & Amado Abogados
Morales & Besa
Morgan & Morgan
Pérez Alati, Grondona, Benites, Arntsen & Martínez de Hoz (h)
Pinheiro Neto Advogados
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Prias Cadavid Abogados
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Quintanilla, Soria & Nishizawa
Raggio & García Mira Abogados
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Latin Lawyer and the Vance Center would like to thank all of the firms that took the time to complete the survey. We list all of the participants below with the exception of a small number, which requested their identity be withheld.

Participating firms

ARGENTINA

Alfaro Abogados

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Bruchou, Fernández Madero & Lombardi

Bulló Tassi Estebenet Lipera Torassa Abogados

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Estudio Fontán Balestra & Asociados

Estudio O'Farrell Abogados

Marval, O'Farrell & Mairal

Negri, Busso & Fariña

Pérez Alati, Grondona, Benites, Arntsen & Martínez de Hoz (h)

Raggio & García Mira Abogados

Zang, Bergel & Viñes Abogados

Zapiola Guerrico & Asociados

BOLIVIA

Guevara & Gutiérrez SC – Servicios Legales

Quintanilla, Soria & Nishizawa

BRAZIL

Barretto Ferreira, Kujawski e Brancher Advogados

Demarest e Almeida Advogados

José Maurício Machado e Associados Advogados e Consultores
Juridicos

Koury Lopes Advogados

Lacaz Martins, Pereira Neto, Gurevich & Schoueri Advogados

Levy & Salomão Advogados

Mattos Filho, Veiga Filho, Marrey Jr e Quiroga Advogados

Mitico & Sigliano Advogados

Pinheiro Neto Advogados

Siqueira Castro Advogados

TozziniFreire Advogados

Trench, Rossi e Watanabe Advogados (associated with Baker &
McKenzie)

Veirano Advogados

CHILE

Alessandri & Compañía

Baker & Mckenzie (Chile)

Barros & Errázuriz Abogados

Bofill Mir & Alvarez Jana Abogados

Carey

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Cariola, Díez, Pérez-Cotapos & Cía Ltda
Claro y Cía
Grasty Quintana Majlis & Cia
Guerrero, Olivos, Novoa y Errázuriz
Morales & Besa
Philippi, Yrarrázaval, Pulido & Brunner
Rivadeneira Colombara Zegers
Silva & Cía
COLOMBIA
Brigard & Urrutia Abogados
Cárdenas & Cárdenas
Cavelier Abogados
Gómez-Pinzón Zuleta Abogados
Lloreda Camacho & Co Attorneys
Parra, Rodriguez & Cavelier
Pinilla Gonzalez & Prieto
Posse Herrera Ruiz
Prias Cadavid Abogados
prietocarrizosa
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC
Headrick Rizik Alvarez & Fernández
Russin, Vecchi & Heredia Bonetti
ECUADOR
Paz Horowitz Robalino Garcés

Romero Arteta Ponce Abogados

MEXICO

Arochi, Marroquín & Lindner SC

Barrera, Siqueiros y Torres Landa

Basham Ringe y Correa SC

Celis Aguilar Álvarez y Asociados

Galicia Abogados

Heather & Heather SC

Jáuregui y Navarrete

Jones Day (Mexico)

Nader, Hayaux y Goebel

Sánchez DeVanny

Von Wobeser y Sierra SC

White & Case SC

PANAMA

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Morgan & Morgan

Patton, Moreno & Asvat

PARAGUAY

Vouga & Olmedo

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Consortium - Rodríguez, Archila, Castellanos, Solares & Aguilar

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