

## The Chilean Bar Association Honors Jaime Carey, First Chilean to Preside Over the International Bar Association (IBA)

 With the participation of representatives from the legal, academic, and business sectors, the Chilean Bar Association recognized the leadership and career of lawyer,
Jaime Carey, as president of the International Bar Association (IBA), the first Chilean to hold this position.

In a ceremony filled with symbolism, the Chilean Bar Association honored Jaime Carey, senior partner at Carey and current president of the International Bar Association (IBA), for his outstanding work in promoting the legal profession both nationally and internationally.

The event brought together over a hundred authorities, academics, business representatives, trade association leaders, and partners from various law firms actively participating in the IBA, who appreciated the role Jaime Carey has played as an ambassador of the Chilean legal profession around the world.

During the meeting, not only his recent appointment as president of the IBA—the most relevant association of lawyers globally— was highlighted, but also his commitment to the defense of the rule of law, professional ethics, the development of international law, and the future of the global legal profession.

On behalf of the Chilean Bar Association, its president, Pedro Pablo Vergara, emphasized, "bar associations are the only organizations that represent not their own interests but those of the legal community in general, including those who need access to justice or interact with state agencies. Generally, all other associations primarily care about their own interests, so leading a group of bar associations, constitutes a task aimed at the public good in its highest expression."

For his part, Jaime Carey expressed his gratitude to those present, valued the role of the Bar Association, and reaffirmed his commitment to strengthening the legal profession:

"Assuming the presidency of the IBA has been an honor, but also a profound responsibility. Representing Chile in this global forum confirms that the legal talent in our country is recognized worldwide. This tribute calls me to continue working for a more ethical, modern, and people-oriented profession. I especially thank the Chilean Bar Association for its role in promoting professional ethics and international relations within the profession."

The ceremony concluded with an invitation to continue promoting an active, reflective, and cohesive legal community in the face of the challenges facing the profession, such as access



to justice, digital transformation, the protection of fundamental rights, and institutional strengthening.

## **About Jaime Carey**

Jaime is a lawyer from Universidad Católica de Chile and has been widely recognized by prestigious international publications such as Chambers and Partners, The Legal 500, and IFLR1000. In 2020, he was named Leading Lawyer of the Year by Latin Lawyer and in 2021, chosen as Investment Lawyer of the Year by Best Lawyers.

Additionally, he is director of the international network of lawyers, Interlex, and a member of the Chilean Bar Association, where he also serves on the International Relations Commission.

In January 2025, Jaime Carey became the first Chilean to lead the International Bar Association (IBA), the leading organization of legal professionals and bar associations worldwide, comprising 80,000 lawyers, 190 bar associations, and legal associations from approximately 170 countries.