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Areas of Practice

Arbitration & Mediation Energy, Oil, Gas & Electricity Infrastructure and Project Finance

About

Enrique is founding partner of GC and has over 35 years of experience as a leading expert in cross-border transactions with emphasis in energy, power generation, M&A's, joint ventures, project finance and international commercial arbitration. He supports his transactional practice by bringing together his corporate and dispute resolution experience, for the structuring and negotiation of transactions.

"He is a standout figure in the Mexican market who comes highly recommended for his expertise in transactions, investment and disputes" Who's Who Legal

Enrique mainly represents domestic and foreign clients from the oil & gas industry in a wide range of projects and transactions related to the energy and infrastructure sector. Some of the energy matters he advises clients include their participation in public bids as well as their entrance in the reshaped energy market in Mexico, among other regulatory matters. His experience also includes, acting as lawyer, arbitrator and/or mediator in a variety of controversies promoted under the rules of the ICC – International Chamber of Commerce and the International Commission for Settlement of Disputes of the American Arbitration Association.

Experience

- Represented Nacional Financiera, Bancomext and Banobras, Mexico's National Development Banks, in the US\$800 million project finance granted to Altán Redes for the Red Compartida telecoms project
- Counsel in the acquisition of the Royal Bank of Scotland (Mexico) and its transformation into Investa Bank (today Accendo Banco), acting on behalf of a group of Mexican and Foreign investors, leading to the creation of Investa Bank, a bank in Mexico, representing the parties before the regulators including the National Banking and Securities Commission (Comisión Nacional Bancaria y de Valores) and the Bank of Mexico (Banco de México)
- Represented Schlumberger in the acquisition of the interest in the onshore oil field Pánuco, located in the coast of the Gulf of Mexico, from its former contract partner Petrofac (British oil and gas service provider)
- Represented Banco Bradesco of Brazil in the acquisition of IBI Mexico from Cofra, as part of Bradesco's US\$900 million acquisition of IBI's operations in Brazil and Mexico
- Acted as arbitrator in the Grupo Modelo (Mexico) vs Anheuser-Busch (U.S.), case concerning issues deriving the merger by the latter and Ambev (Belgium)
- McDonald's Corporation, in the sale of its operations in Latin America to Arcos Dorados, and the negotiation of a Master Franchise for the region, trusts for the transfer of ownership, guaranty and administration of the acquired equity

Awards & Recognitions

X Premio Gov. Franco Montoro, awarded by the Brazil-Mexico Chamber of Commerce and Industry for his contribution to the growth of bi-lateral trade and investment between Brazil and Mexico

Energy & Natural Resources recommended, The Legal 500

Projects & Infrastructure recommended, The Legal 500

Recognized lawyer in Energy, Latin Lawyer 250

Recognized lawyer in Corporate and M&A, Latin Lawyer 250

Recognized lawyer in Pro bono, Latin Lawyer 250

Recognized lawyer in Project Finance & Infrastructure, Latin Lawyer 250

Highly Regarded Lawyer in Project Development, IFLR 1000

Administrative law recognized lawyer, Best Lawyers

Arbitration and Mediation recognized lawyer, Best Lawyers

Corporate and M&A law recognized lawyer, Best Lawyers

Project Finance and Development Practice recognized lawyer, Best Lawyers

Education

Master of Laws (LL.M.) in Comparative Jurisprudence, University of Texas, Austin, Texas, United States

Law degree (J.D. equivalent), Universidad Iberoamericana, Mexico City, Mexico

Memberships

Instituto Mexicano de la Mediación, Founding President

Commercial Dispute Consulting Committee created under the North America Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA), Alternate Representative for Mexico

Mexico-Brazil Bilateral Committee (Consejo Empresarial Mexicano de Comercio Exterior, Inversión y Tecnología, A.C.), President

Mexican Bar Association's Foundation, Chairman of the Board

United States-Mexico Chamber of Commerce (Southwest Chapter), Former Vice President

Mediation and Arbitration Commission, Mexico City's Chamber of Commerce (Cámara Nacional de Comercio de la Ciudad de México, A.C.)

American Bar Association, former Vice President of the Subcommittee for Foreign Investment and Technology

Publications & Collaborations

Member of the Steering Committee of the Latin Lawyer Oil & Gas Conference, 2019

Co-chair of the Latin Lawyer Oil & Gas Conference, 2018, 2017, 2016

Speaker at Project Finance, Infrastructure and Energy Conferences in a wide range of local and foreign legal forums

Energy Disputes Guide, Mexico Chapter published by Getting the Deal Through a Law Business Research publication, 2018-2016

Global Arbitration Review, Mexico Chapter published by Law Business Research

Languages

Spanish

English

Portuguese