

## McV Named Law Firm of the Year in Environmental Law and Corporate and M&A Law

### McV News

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McConnell Valdés was named the 2021 Law Firm of the Year by *Best Lawyers*™ in its 2021 edition for its expertise in Corporate and M&A Law, and Environmental Law.

This year, and topping last year's unprecedented number of recognitions, *Best Lawyers*™ named 55 McV attorneys as leaders in their field. In addition, three attorneys were named Lawyer of the Year: **Carlos J. Fernández-Lugo** in Energy Law, **Dora M. Peñagaricano** in Intellectual Property Law and **Ernesto N. Mayoral** in Insurance Law.

The recognized attorneys are:

Lawyer Name

Area

Antonio A. Arias-Larcada

Insolvency and Reorganization Law, Litigation and Criminal Defense

Roberto L. Cabañas

Tax Law

Isis Carballo-Irigoyen

Tax Law

Salvador F. Casellas

Banking and Finance Law, Project Finance and Development Practice, Real Estate Law and Structured Finance Law

Samuel T. Céspedes Jr.

Corporate and M&A Law

Harry O. Cook

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Real Estate Law

Paul R. Cortés-Rexach

Real Estate Law

Carlos J. Fernández-Lugo

Energy Law, Environmental Law and Land Use and Zoning Law

Henry O. Freese-Souffront

Corporate and M&A Law

Jorge J. García-Díaz

Environmental Law

Ricardo J. García-Negrón

Corporate and M&A Law

Arturo J. García-Solá

Arbitration and Mediation

Patricia George-Iguina

Real Estate Law

Yamary I. González-Berríos

Employee Benefits Law and Tax Law

Richard Graffam

Litigation

Juan A. Marqués-Díaz

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Appellate Practice, Arbitration and Mediation and Litigation

Ernesto N. Mayoral

Insurance Law and Corporate and M&A Law

Rubén Méndez-Benabe

Banking and Finance Law

Anita Montaner-Sevillano

Immigration Law and Labor and Employment Law

Rubén Muñiz-Bonilla

Tax Law

Francisco J. Pavía

Corporate and M&A Law and Real Estate Law

Dora M. Peñagaricano

Intellectual Property Law

Lizzie M. Portela-Fernández

Corporate and M&A Law

Roberto C. Quiñones-Rivera

Arbitration and Mediation, Competition/Antitrust Law, Intellectual Property, Litigation

Antonio J. Ramírez-Aponte

Banking and Finance Law

Miguel Rivera-Arce

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Labor and Employment Law

Marcos Rodríguez-Ema

Corporate and M&A Law

Jorge M. Ruiz-Montilla

Real Estate Law

Eduardo A. Zayas-Marxuach

Litigation

Carmen Alfonso-Rodríguez

Litigation

Edwin O. Figueroa-Álvarez

Tax Law

Cecilia M. Suau-Badía

Insolvency and Reorganization Law

Lillian Toro-Mojica

Employee Benefits Law and Tax Law

Isabel Torres-Sastre

Intellectual Property Law

Melba I. Acosta-Febo

Corporate and M&A Law

Jorge A. Antongiorgi

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Labor and Employment Law

Britt E. Arrieta-Rivera

Natural Resources Law

Samuel T. Céspedes

Litigation

Mariana M. Contreras-Gómez

Tax Law

Monique J.M. Díaz-Mayoral

Banking and Finance Law

Iraida Díez

Labor and Employment Law

Néstor Durán-González

Litigation

Antonio Escudero-Viera

Corporate and M&A Law

Gustavo A. Gelpí

Product Liability Litigation

Leyla González-Ibarría

Tax Law

José R. González-Irizarry

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Insolvency and Reorganization Law

Héctor M. Laffitte

Arbitration and Mediation and Litigation

Silvestre M. Miranda

Corporate and M&A Law and Real Estate Law

Mario L. Paniagua-Guzmán

Litigation

Angel S. Ruiz-Rodríguez

Tax Law

María Cristina Salas-Díaz

Banking and Finance Law

María Teresa Szendrey-Ramos

Intellectual Property Law

Xenia Vélez

Tax Law

Carlos J. Villafañe-Real

Employee Benefits Law and Tax Law

Nayuan Zouairabani-Trinidad

Insolvency and Reorganization Law

Recognition by Best Lawyers is based entirely on peer review. Their methodology is designed to capture the consensus opinion of leading lawyers about the professional abilities of their colleagues within the same geographical area and legal practice area. Lawyer of the Year is awarded to individual lawyers with the highest overall peer-feedback for a specific practice area and geographic region. Only one lawyer is recognized as the "Lawyer of the

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Year" for each specialty and location.

Also this year the prestigious international publication *Chambers & Partners* recognized 23 McV attorneys as Leaders in their Field in their Latin America 2021 Edition. They were selected based primarily on peer and client interviews and ranked according to technical legal ability, professional conduct, client service, commercial astuteness, diligence, commitment, and other qualities valued by clients. This year **Samuel T. Céspedes, Jr.** and **Anita Montaner-Sevillano** were promoted to Band 1, the highest ranking assigned by Chambers.

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