

## Haynes and Boone Maintains Strong Presence in Chambers Latin America

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Haynes Boone and lawyers in its Mexican affiliate, Haynes Boone, SC, have been recognized in the 2018 *Chambers Latin America* legal directory, published by Chambers and Partners, for their work in multiple legal practices.

The newest edition of the highly regarded publication again recognizes the firm for the Mexico categories of Banking & Finance, Corporate/M&A, Energy & Natural Resources and Real Estate and for Corporate/M&A in the Latin America-wide category.

The guide also highlights nine Haynes Boone partners for individual recognition: In Mexico, Nicolás Borda in Energy & Natural Resources; Gerardo Carrillo Valadez as “Up and Coming” in Real Estate; Antonio Diez de Bonilla Martinez in Real Estate; Héctor Herrera in Environment; Edgar Klee in Tax; Jorge Labastida in Banking & Finance and Capital Markets; and Jorge Sánchez in Corporate/M&A and Energy & Natural Resources. George Gonzalez and Larry Pascal were recognized Latin America-wide in Corporate/M&A.

In the 2018 guide, *Chambers* says Haynes Boone is known for its “practice advising on corporate mandates throughout the region, with a particular strength in Mexico” and experience advising clients on a broad range of transactions. It says the firm “routinely acts for high-profile international clients,” with notable experience in the energy, aviation and real estate sectors.

Other comments on the practice teams:

— Banking & Finance “acts for highly regarded multilateral banks, advising on cross-border mandates including standby letters of credit and real estate development financings.”

— Energy & Natural Resources fields “an experienced team” and “handles a range of relevant mandates, including purchase power agreements, public procurement, litigation and regulatory matters. ... Clients are impressed with the firm's offering and state: ‘The team is highly knowledgeable and always delivers prompt responses.’”

— Real Estate offers a “strong local branch of a sizeable department spread between offices in the USA and Mexico. ... ‘They are creative and can apply their vast experience to solving tough structuring challenges,’ reports one impressed market commentator. The team is described as ‘helpful and very practical’ by interviewees.”

The directory also includes comments on individual lawyers:

Nicolás Borda: “is endorsed by interviewees as a leading lawyer in the energy and natural resources sphere. ... He also has considerable experience advising well-known companies on cross-border transactions. Market sources describe him as ‘very active’ and highlight his ‘top-quality service.’”

Gerardo Carrillo Valadez: “regularly acts for international clients on transactions concerning office or residential real estate. Sources remark that he is ‘very pro-deal in that he’s constantly trying to provide ideas and solutions.’”

Antonio Diez de Bonilla Martinez: “Market commentators are impressed by his ‘straightforward, clear-cut and efficient’ approach to the matters and further comment: ‘He’s really strong at giving a long-term view in transactions and providing a very detailed risk assessment.’”

[George Gonzalez](#): has “noteworthy” experience in joint ventures and corporate matters relevant to the energy and natural resources sector, “with a particular focus on Mexican mandates.”

Héctor Herrera: “is highlighted for his lengthy career in environment law, and clients appreciate that ‘he is attentive and gets back to you quickly.’ His broad practice encompasses contentious mandates and social impact matters, and he is regularly appointed to advise both local and international clients from the oil and mining industries.”

[Edgar Klee](#): “is highlighted for his involvement in both tax and customs matters. Peers reference his strong technical knowledge and his presence in this field.”

Jorge Labastida: “leads on the firm’s most significant mandates. Peers describe him as ‘a terrific and extremely capable lawyer.’”

[Larry Pascal](#): “is recognised by market commentators for his practice within the Latin American corporate arena. He is regularly called upon to assist with cross-border transactions and has considerable sector knowledge related to aviation, infrastructure and energy, as well as real estate and financial services.”

Jorge Sánchez: “is an experienced name in both the corporate and energy arenas,” with particular experience in mining sector transactions. “He earns plaudits from clients, who commend ‘his practical focus and his outstanding knowledge in mining matters.’”