

# María C. Guardia



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## PRACTICE AREAS

- ▶ Corporate Law
- ▶ Doing Business and Multinationals in Panama
- ▶ Estates, Trusts and Foundations
- ▶ Taxation

## BAR ADMISSION

- ▶ Panama and New York

## LANGUAGE

- ▶ Spanish
- ▶ English

## SUMMARY

María Cristina Guardia has been an associate of the firm since 2010.

Ms. Guardia's practice focuses on taxation; estates, trusts and foundations; doing business and multinationals in Panama; international business transactions; and corporations.

Prior to joining the firm, Ms. Guardia worked with Ernst & Young.

## EDUCATION

Juris Doctor, George Washington University Law School (2007)

Bachelor of Arts in Political Economy, *magna cum laude*, Tulane University (2003)

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## REPRESENTATIVE TRANSACTIONS

- ▶ Bacardi's acquisition of Ilegal Mezcal
- ▶ Fanatics' acquisition of FexPro
- ▶ Mediam Group's sale of a minority stake to Aleph Group
- ▶ Emergent Cold Latin America Strategic acquisition of Galores Group
- ▶ US\$120 million Bladex's syndicated loan facility for Grupo Monge
- ▶ US\$223 million facility for Central American banking group Grupo Promerica
- ▶ US\$109 million IE Holding's acquisition of energy company CBPF Pacora Ltd.
- ▶ US\$81 million term loan facility to CEISA
- ▶ SAAM merge with a Dutch counterpart to create Latin America's largest tug business
- ▶ Avianca Holdings' registered initial public offering on the NYSE and consecutive bond offerings
- ▶ US\$470 million public bonds offering of AES Changuinola

- ▶ US\$170 million granted to finance the design and construction of Panama's new convention center
- ▶ US\$71 million to finance Panama's first windmill generation farm: UEP Penonomé I
- ▶ US\$13 million Darby Overseas' minority investment in Bioerix Group
- ▶ Corpbanca's acquisition of Helm Bank y Helm Casa de Valores
- ▶ US\$30 million HSBC Panama financing to design, build and equip four hospitals
- ▶ BBVA Panama in three hospital financings
- ▶ US\$110 million financing for the road reorganization project in the historic Old Panama
- ▶ Acquisition of Café Durán by Casa Luker
- ▶ US\$32 million ConSalfa's acquisition of leading Panamanian marine contracting and engineering firm
- ▶ Loan and management agreement for the Royalton Panama Spa & Beach Resort
- ▶ Hopsa and Schuff joint venture for steel engineering division
- ▶ John Deere Mexico's incursion in cross-border financing of equipment

## RECOGNITIONS

- ▶ ARIFA wins the Latin Lawyer Deal of the Year Award 2022

## PUBLICATIONS

- ▶ Latin Lawyer Reference - Tax Litigation, Panama Chapter (2016-2017)