



Two Latin America disputes partners join Jones Day in Miami

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Washington, DC – The global law firm Jones Day has announced that two leading Latin America cross-border litigation and arbitration lawyers will join as partners in the Firm's [Miami Office](#). Carlos F. Concepción and Ricardo H. (Rick) Puente, formerly with Concepción Martinez & Puente, will be part of Jones Day's [Global Disputes Practice](#).

"Having now grown in Miami to 12 partners and 23 lawyers in the last 24 months, Carlos and Rick add dispute and arbitration experience that complement and enhance the capabilities we can provide our clients doing business throughout Latin America," said [Pedro Jimenez](#), Partner-in-Charge of Jones Day's Miami Office. "In addition, with our storied history of representing clients throughout the state of Florida in litigation matters, they further enhance our exceptional litigation capabilities in Miami, which is part of a leading litigation practice worldwide."

"Carlos and Rick add to our very deep bench of lawyers who advise clients all over the globe on cross-border litigation," said [Greg Shumaker](#), leader of Jones Day's Global Disputes Practice. "As clients increasingly look to Latin America for growth, and as arbitration and disputes continue to grow throughout Latin America, these two fantastic lawyers not only add to our established competency in that region, but also to a comprehensive international group of lawyers who are skilled in handling a wide variety of disputes, including international arbitration, complex commercial litigation, and criminal or administrative proceedings. We are thrilled to have them join us."

Mr. Concepción was his former firm's managing partner and concentrates his practice in handling complex commercial litigation and international arbitration with an emphasis on business transactions involving corporate, banking, and securities disputes involving parties and witnesses from multiple jurisdictions. He also has substantial experience in international litigation matters with multilingual and multicultural teams, especially in Central America, South America, and the Caribbean. Mr. Concepción represents parties in international arbitrations arising in a broad range of industry sectors, including banking, insurance, international finance, international trade and investments, and telecommunications. As arbitrator and party advocate, Mr. Concepcion has worked with most of the leading arbitration organizations, including: The American Arbitration Association/International Centre for Dispute Resolution (AAA/ICDR); The International Chamber of Commerce (ICC); the International Institute for Conflict Prevention & Resolution (CPR) and the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (CIArb). Mr. Concepcion is also a fellow of the CIArb, which is the highest level of arbitration training and experience recognized by that institution. Mr. Concepción earned his J.D., with honors from the University of Florida College of Law and his B.S., magna cum laude, from Florida State University.

Mr. Puente represents individuals and financial and corporate entities in litigation, trials, and arbitration matters involving complex business, tort, and investment disputes at both pre-judgment and post-judgment phases. He has substantial experience handling litigation matters involving fraud, defamation, breach of contract, negligence, and cross-

border disputes for plaintiffs and defendants in federal and state courts and arbitration tribunals. Mr. Puente has served as lead advocate in investment and commercial disputes involving financial institutions, broker-dealers, and individuals in Central and South America with jurisdictional ties to the United States. Many of his cases involve cross-border discovery, parallel proceedings, and conflict of law issues. Since 2013, Mr. Puente has served as the president of the Florida Chapter of the Club Español del Arbitraje (CEA), a prestigious and leading international arbitration organization based in Madrid, Spain, with Chapters in 34 countries and over 900 members. Mr. Puente also serves on the executive council of the Florida Bar's International Law Section. He frequently participates as a speaker and moderator in both Spanish and English in the United States and Europe on topics involving international litigation and arbitration in Latin America. From 2008 to 2011, Mr. Puente served as an investigating member, vice chair and chairman of the Florida Bar Judicial Grievance Committee. He earned his J.D. and Certificate in International Legal Studies from Loyola University College of Law (Elected Vice Magister of the International Legal Honor Society, Phi Delta Phi; and served as a senior research assistant in the area of international financial policy and regulation), and his B.B.A., with a concentration in finance, from Florida International University's College of Business Administration (member of the Financial Management National Honor Society and received the National Dean's List Multiple Year Award).

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