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Genesis Martinez is an associate in the Litigation Practice Group. While she has experience in various areas of litigation, she specializes in international litigation. She focuses her practice on commercial litigation and arbitration across the United States and Latin America. She has coordinated and directed the prosecution and defense of cases involving civil actions and criminal actions for both individuals and corporate clients. Genesis has been listed as “One to Watch” for Commercial Litigation by *The Best Lawyers in America* for 2024.

Prior to joining Akerman, Genesis clerked for the Honorable Judge Beth Bloom, U.S. District Judge for the Southern District of Florida. There, she gained experience in drafting opinions and orders in various areas of civil federal law. Prior to this work, Genesis was a trial attorney at the Department of Justice Civil Tax Division where she was hired through the Attorney General’s Honors Program. In that role, she gained experience with civil tax litigation in U.S. district courts and U.S. bankruptcy courts in suits involving tax and bankruptcy laws, as well as contract, commercial, and property laws. She was awarded a Special Commendation Award by the U.S. Department of Justice in connection with her work at the Tax Division.

Notable Work

Opposing Application for Discovery Under 28 U.S.C. § 1782: Secured a major victory for our client, a Chilean company, that sold its interest to a Chinese company for \$1 billion. The purchaser of the company filed various actions in different jurisdictions claiming that the seller defrauded the buyer by overstating the value of the company. The purchaser was trying to undo the sale claiming fraud and improper administration, amongst other allegations. Therefore, the purchaser filed a § 1782 application to seek discovery in the United States District Court for the Southern District of Florida to seek discovery from our client related to the sale. We intervened in the action and successfully opposed the application.

Areas of Experience

Litigation
International Litigation and Arbitration
Commercial Disputes
International

Education

J.D., Florida International University College of Law,
2019, *FIU Law Review*, Articles Editor, magna cum laude
B.A., Florida International University, 2016

Admissions

Bars

Florida
District of Columbia

Courts

U.S. District Court, Northern District of Florida
U.S. District Court, Middle District of Florida
U.S. District Court, Southern District of Florida

Related Content

Luis A. Perez and Genesis Martinez Featured in *Mealey’s International Arbitration Report*
July 24, 2024

Luis A. Perez and Genesis Martinez Featured in *Mealey’s International Arbitration Report*
March 28, 2024

Akerman Earns Court Win in TANA Leadership Battle
October 24, 2023

Related Professional Experience

- Law Clerk to the Honorable Judge Beth Bloom, U.S. District Court, Southern District of Florida, March 2022-August 2022
- U.S. Department of Justice Civil Tax Division, Attorney General's Honors Program, Trial Attorney, 2019-2022
- Miami Dade State Attorney's Office, Southern District of Florida, Certified Legal Intern, May-July 2018
- United States Attorney's Office, Southern District of Florida, January-April 2018
- Legal Intern to the Honorable Judge Andrea M. Simonton, U.S. District Court, Southern District of Florida, May-July 2017

Published Work and Lectures

- *Mealey's International Arbitration Report*, Featured Comments, "International Arbitration Experts Discuss the Standards of Review and Disclosure Rules for Arbitrators," July 2024
- *Mealey's International Arbitration Report*, Featured Comments, "What Do You Believe Will Be the Major Challenges for Arbitration in 2024?" March 2024

Honors and Distinctions

- U.S. Department of Justice, Special Commendation Award Recipient
- *Best Lawyers*, 2024-2025, Listed in Florida for Commercial Litigation as "One to Watch"