

Press Release

Akerman's Latin America & the Caribbean Practice Recognized Among the Best by *Chambers Global* 2016

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Akerman LLP, a top 100 U.S. law firm serving clients across the Americas, today announced *Chambers Global* has once again recognized the firm's Latin America & the Caribbean Practice as among the best in International Arbitration: Latin America-wide. The firm's Cuba Practice achieved another milestone ranking with Akerman as the only U.S. firm distinguished in General Business Law (Expertise Based Abroad) – Cuba. Akerman lawyers also continue to be singled out as leaders in their fields of practice. The 2016 edition of *Chambers Global* ranked Felipe Berer, a partner with the Corporate Practice Group, as a leader in International Trade in both the U.S. and Brazil markets. Augusto Maxwell, chair of Akerman's Cuba Practice, was highlighted as a leading lawyer in Cuba Corporate/Commercial law, becoming the only U.S.-based lawyer to earn this recognition.

Akerman's Latin America & the Caribbean Practice achieved the same distinction in the *Chambers Latin America* 2016 edition. The team was also recognized nationally in the current edition of *U.S. News – Best Lawyers* for International Trade and Finance Law and for International Arbitration – Commercial.

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Akerman's Latin America & the Caribbean Practice includes lawyers and advisors who represent multinational clients in transactions and disputes covering a wide range of legal issues, including cross-border M&A, joint ventures, securities offerings, syndicated and secured lending transactions, project financings, debt restructurings, complex construction work and other contractual matters. The team possesses significant experience in representing global companies in connection with establishing and developing a U.S. presence and in managing their Latin American operations.