

Press Release

Akerman Ranked as a Top-Tier Firm in Latin America by *The Legal 500* 2027 Guide

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Akerman has once again earned top-tier recognition in *The Legal 500* Latin America Guide 2027, securing a Tier 1 ranking in the category of Corporate/Commercial: International Firms (Cuba). The ranking underscores the firm's continued leadership in serving clients across the region, its coveted reputation for litigation involving Latin American entities, and its position at the forefront of Helms-Burton Act lawsuits and sanctions.

The Legal 500 also individually recognized Cuba Practice Chair [Augusto E. Maxwell](#), who moved up to Tier 1 from Tier 2, and International Practice Chair [Pedro A. Freyre](#), who moved up to Tier 2 from Tier 3, both in Corporate/Commercial: International Firms (Cuba). In addition, Associate [Odette Ponce](#) of the Government Strategies Practice Group was newly ranked as an "Associate to Watch."

Results for *The Legal 500* Latin America are compiled based on information from independent researchers. The research provides a thorough review of the strengths and capabilities of law firms working in numerous practice areas across the region.

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