

Press Release

Akerman Sole U.S. Law Firm to Achieve Cuba Practice Ranking by *Chambers Latin America*

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Akerman LLP, a top 100 U.S. law firm serving clients across the Americas, achieved a milestone ranking in *Chambers Latin America* as one of the top four law firms in the Cuba: Corporate/Commercial category for law firms based abroad. Akerman is the only U.S. law firm to receive this distinction. In addition, [Augusto Maxwell](#), chair of Akerman's Cuba Practice, has been singled out as a leading lawyer in Cuba Corporate/Commercial law, becoming the only U.S.-based lawyer to earn this recognition.

The 2016 edition of *Chambers Latin America* noted: "[The] respected Cuban practice group of this U.S.-based corporate powerhouse benefits from a decade of experience in the local market. What distinguishes Akerman from other U.S. law firms is that they have very strong Cuban relationships. They are highly professional and know the law, but they are also good, pragmatic business lawyers."

The recognition by *Chambers* follows similar acknowledgement of the firm's Cuba Practice from publications such as *CNN Money*, which featured Akerman as "Corporate America's Go-To" law firm for companies seeking to do business in Cuba. [Click here to view this news.](#)

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among the U.S. government and industry leaders on the future of U.S.-Cuba relations. Akerman lawyers and public policy advisors handle complex Cuba-related matters by leveraging relationships with policymakers within the United States and Cuba. The Akerman Cuba team provides legal and regulatory guidance, business intelligence and government affairs support.

Chambers Latin America ranks the world's leading law firms with practices and lawyers who work across the Latin America and Caribbean region to serve client needs. The listings are based on thousands of in-depth interviews with peers and clients to assess the reputations and experience of business lawyers around the globe.

About Akerman LLP

Akerman LLP is a leading transactions and trial law firm known for its core strengths in middle market M&A, within the financial services and real estate industries, and for a diverse Latin America practice. With more than 600 lawyers and government affairs professionals and a network of 20 offices, it is ranked among the top 100 law firms in the United States by *The American Lawyer* (2015). Akerman also is ranked among the top 50 law firms for diversity in *The American Lawyer's Diversity Scorecard* (2015).

Akerman's Latin America & the Caribbean Practice includes lawyers experienced in representing multinational clients on a wide range of cross-border mergers and acquisitions, joint ventures, securities offerings, syndicated and secured lending transactions, project financings and debt restructurings, as well as complex construction and other international disputes. The team also is experienced in representing global companies in connection with establishing and developing their U.S. presence as well as managing their Latin American operations. Akerman lawyers have spent years working in Latin America and the Caribbean

and are familiar with the legal, regulatory and cultural systems of countries in the region.