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Lawyers Recognized for Leading Cuba and International Arbitration Practices

Akerman LLP, a top 100 U.S. law firm serving clients across the Americas, is recognized by *Chambers and Partners* among the world's leading law firms in Latin America, with standout lawyers handling complex disputes and transactions throughout the region.

The firm's Cuba practice was again recognized among the six best in the Corporate/Commercial category for law firms based abroad, and among the top 13 law firms worldwide. Akerman was the first U.S. law firm to be recognized in this category starting in 2015. International Practice Chair Pedro Freyre and Cuba Practice Chair Augusto Maxwell were ranked as leading lawyers in Corporate/Commercial – Cuba.

Akerman's Cuba Practice achieved the same distinction in the *Chambers Global* 2018 edition, and Freyre and Maxwell also were recognized in General Business Law – Cuba. In addition, the *Financial Times* ranked Akerman among the top 25 most innovative law firms in North America for the second consecutive year for its experience in U.S.-Cuba policy.

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Luis A. Perez, co-chair of Akerman's Latin America and the Caribbean Practice, was ranked in International Arbitration: Latin America-wide. He was recently recognized in the *Chambers Global* 2018 edition in Arbitration (International) – Latin America-wide and in International Arbitration – USA (Foreign Expertise, Latin America-wide). Felipe Berer, a partner in the Corporate Practice Group, also was ranked this year by *Chambers Global* as a leader in International Trade in both the U.S. and Brazil markets. Akerman is recognized nationally in the current edition of *U.S. News – Best Lawyers* for International Arbitration – Commercial and for International Trade and Finance Law.

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 top 100 U.S. law firm recognized by *Financial Times* as among the most forward thinking firms in the industry. Its more than 700 lawyers and business professionals collaborate with the world's most successful enterprises and entrepreneurs to navigate change, seize opportunities, and help drive innovation and growth. Akerman is known for its results in middle market M&A and complex disputes, and for helping clients achieve their most important business objectives in the financial services, real estate and other dynamic sectors across the United States and Latin America.

Akerman's Latin America and 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.