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## **EDUCATION**

### **Harvard Law School, Cambridge, MA**

LL.M. with emphasis on leadership, negotiation, and international economic law (May 2019)

### **Universidad de los Andes, Bogotá, D.C. – Colombia**

Lawyer with certificate in business management (August 2012)

Honors: *Cum laude* degree; ranked 1<sup>st</sup> in class of 82

Activities: International Criminal Law Moot Court Competition; Student Government; Student Newspaper

## **EXPERIENCE**

### **Independent Arbitral Assistant**

*Self-employed* (August 2020 – present)

- Act as assistant to the president of the tribunal in two investment treaty arbitration cases under the ICSID rules in disputes related to mining and energy projects.
- Assist arbitrators in commercial arbitration proceedings under the ICC, ICDR, and the Bogotá Chamber of Commerce arbitration rules in disputes related to infrastructure projects, joint venture agreements, and construction contracts, among others.

### **Sidley Austin LLP, Washington, D.C.**

*International Lawyer, Global Arbitration, Trade and Advocacy Group* (July 2019 – July 2020)

- Participated in the representation of a Latin American government in an ICSID arbitration brought by a foreign-owned infrastructure company under a concession contract for the construction, operation, and maintenance of a toll highway.
- Participated in the representation of a Latin American government in an ICSID arbitration to defend against claims brought under a bilateral investment treaty and a concession contract for the design, construction, finance, operation, and maintenance of an international airport.
- Participated in the representation of a Southeast Asian company in the oilfield services industry in an investment treaty arbitration under the UNCITRAL rules against a Latin American state.

### **Zuleta Abogados Asociados, Bogotá, D.C. – Colombia**

*Associate Attorney* (February 2017 – June 2018)

- Assisted arbitrators in commercial and investment arbitration cases under the ICSID, UNCITRAL, and ICC rules in matters related to the energy, mining, financial, real estate, and manufacturing sectors.
- Served as ad hoc secretary for international arbitral tribunals constituted under the ICC rules in cases involving private parties and state entities.
- Participated in the representation of clients in ICC arbitrations seated in Colombia and abroad in disputes arising out of construction contracts, distribution and commercial agency relationships, and share purchase agreements.

### **Gómez-Pinzón Abogados, Bogotá, D.C. – Colombia**

*Associate Attorney, Dispute Resolution and Investment Protection Practice* (August 2013 – January 2017)

- Assisted arbitrators in commercial and investment arbitration cases under the ICSID, UNCITRAL, and ICC rules, and in annulment proceedings under the ICSID rules.
- Participated in the representation of clients in the infrastructure, energy, oil and gas, pharmaceutical, and food industries in domestic and international arbitration cases under the ICC rules and the rules of the Bogotá Chamber of Commerce.
- Participated in the preparation of two requests for recognition and enforcement of foreign arbitral awards before the Colombian Supreme Court that resulted in landmark decisions.
- Advised clients in the negotiation of arbitration agreements and other dispute resolution mechanisms.

- Provided pro bono advice to international NGOs in matters related to minority rights.

**Ministry of Labor of Colombia, Bogotá, D.C. – Colombia**

*Adviser to the Minister’s Office* (February 2013 – July 2013)

- Assisted in the design and implementation of employment policies for victims of the internal armed conflict.
- Researched and drafted legal memoranda and policy papers on the incorporation of international legal standards of reparation in governmental policies aimed at victims of the internal armed conflict.
- Coordinated work with other units at the Ministry of Labor and with central and local authorities.

**Office of Manuel José Cepeda Espinosa, Bogotá, D.C. – Colombia**

*Research Assistant* (December 2011 – April 2012)

- Researched decisions of international criminal tribunals, international human rights courts, domestic civil courts, and military tribunals in cases concerning the use of military force to draft a report on military criminal justice to be submitted to the Government’s External Advisory Committee on Military Justice Reform.

**ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES**

**Universidad Javeriana, School of Law, Bogotá, D.C. – Colombia**

*Teaching Assistant, International Commercial Arbitration* (January 2017 – December 2017)

- Lectured approximately 15 students per semester on the Colombian Arbitration Statute; arbitration proceedings under the ICC rules; evidence in international commercial arbitration, and international investment arbitration.

**Universidad de lo Andes, School of Law, Bogotá, D.C. – Colombia**

*Teaching Assistant, Markets and International Law* (January 2015 – December 2015)

- Offered review sessions to approximately 20 graduate students per semester in matters related to international investment law and international trade law.

**SELECTED PUBLICATIONS AND CONFERENCES**

- María Marulanda (Translator), Spanish Translation of *The Political Economy of the Investment Treaty Regime* by Jonathan Bonnitcha, Lauge N. Skovgaard Poulsen, and Michael Waibel, September 2021.
- María Marulanda (Speaker), ICC Young Arbitrators Forum, *Arbitration and Constitutionality*, Aguascalientes (Mexico), 28 September 2017.
- María Marulanda (Speaker), Escuela de Arbitraje de la Universidad Nacional de Colombia, *Discovery in international commercial arbitration*, Bogotá, D.C. (Colombia), 26 January 2017.
- María Marulanda and Sebastián Rubiano-Groot, *The approach of Colombian courts towards forum-selection clauses in international contracts: is there a way out?* International Bar Association, *Arbitration News*, Vol. 21 No. 1, February 2016.
- María Marulanda and Alejandro Moya, *Reparación transformadora, retorno y restitución de tierras: apuntes sobre el artículo 101 de la Ley 1448 de 2011*. *Revista de Derecho Público – Facultad de Derecho, Universidad de los Andes*, Revista No. 29, December 2012 (ISSN 1909-7778).

**LANGUAGES**

- Spanish (native); English (fluent); German (proficient).

**ADMISSIONS**

- Licensed to practice law in Colombia.