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Latin Lawyer is pleased to present our Leading Lights for 2024, the law firms making a noteworthy contribution to strengthening a culture of pro bono in Latin America.

Several factors played a role in drawing up this list. These include firms' answers to the survey with regards to institutionalisation of the practice, work done and examples of their recent pro bono cases. We also asked for feedback from clearinghouses and the Cyrus R. Vance Center for International Justice and considered the development of firms' pro bono practices if they participated in earlier surveys, as well as further research. The list includes benevolence of the regional legal community bringing significant resources to bear, and small firms from whom personal dedication can make a significant difference.

This is by no means an exhaustive list [for a start, it only mentions firms that participated in our survey], but we hope it will give readers an idea of the efforts that firms across Latin America are taking to provide free legal services to those in need.

Of course, it should be noted that simply participating in this survey demonstrates awareness among all participants of the need for pro bono, and each one had interesting developments to report. We hope that all respondents will continue to advance their pro bono practices and come back to us to report their efforts in the years to come.

Methodology

Latin Lawyer and the Vance Center draw heavily on responses to the pro bono survey when compiling the list of Leading Lights, so only law firms that participated in the most recent survey are eligible. Firms are compared against others in their jurisdiction. In countries with functioning clearing houses at the time research was conducted (Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, the Dominican Republic, Guatemala, Mexico, Paraguay, Peru, Uruguay and Venezuela), firms are awarded up to 30 points based on their responses to the survey across the following categories: law firm's pro bono infrastructure (23%), recognition of lawyers' pro bono work (14%), pro bono work done (43%) and support of clearinghouses (20%). Clearinghouses are also given the opportunity to provide information on the firms they see supporting their organisation and doing a high level of pro bono work. In countries where there was no clearinghouse at the time of research (Ecuador, El Salvador, Nicaragua, Honduras and Panama) points are awarded between the first three categories (law firm's pro bono infrastructure, recognition of lawyers' pro bono work and pro bono work done). Those with the most points have a strong chance of being a Leading Light, depending on further considerations and taking into account comparisons within their jurisdiction.

The following firms are our Leading Lights for 2024.

Argentina

Allende & Brea
Becar Varela
Bruchou & Funes de Rioja
Martínez de Hoz & Rueda
Marval O'Farrell Mairal
MSR Partners

Bolivia

Moreno Baldivieso Estudio de Abogados
PPO Abogados

Brazil

BMA Advogados
Cencos, Barrios, Plesch & Barreto Advogados
Demand Advogados
Machado Meyer Advogados
Matias Filho
Pinheiro Neto Advogados
SiqueiraCastro
Taut & Chequer Advogados in association with Mayer Brown
Tocznifrete Advogados

Central America

Alba (regional)
Arias (regional)
BLP (regional)
Consortium Legal (regional)
Mayora & Mayora (regional)

Chile

Borlú Mir Abogados
Caney
CHS Caney & Allende
Guerrero Olivos
Morales & Besa
Piñto
Vergara Galindo Correa Abogados

Colombia

Chahín Vargas y Asociados
GodoyRojas_Goh
Gómez-Picón
Prias Cedewid Abogados
Somano Martínez CHA

Dominican Republic

Heandrick Ruiz Alvarez & Fernández

Ecuador

Pérez Bustamante & Ponce (PBP)

Guatemala

Centillo & Asociados
Canby Law
MollerLaw

Mexico

Baker McKenzie (Mexico)
Basham, Ringo y Correa
BGBG - Bello, Gallardo, Bonequi y García, SC
Chevez, Ruiz, Zamarripa y Cia SC
Crest, García-Cuellar, Aliza y Enríquez SC
Galicia Abogados
Hogan Lovells (Mexico)
Ritch-Mueler y Nicolson SC
Santamarina y Seta
Van Wobeser y Sierra SC
White & Case (Mexico)

Panama

Morgan & Morgan

Paraguay

Centro de Estudios de Derechos Humanos, EAS
Vincum Abogados & Consultores

Peru

Bonites, Vargas & Ugaz Abogados
GSA Legal
Payett, Ray, Caxil, Pérez Abogados
Rodríguez Angobaldo Abogados

Uruguay

Ferreira (Uruguay)
Hughes & Hughes

Venezuela

Arqueymys
D'Empaire

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Argentina
Abogado Gethel Abogados SC
Alonso & Bova
Becar Vozes
Borrichi
Duchoux & Funes de Riga
García & Frenel Abogados
De Camí, Corderono, Vian & Zanella Lagos
García Abogados
Fardín Belschitz & Asociados
OFARIEL
OT Law (Argentina)
Rafaelino de Vera & Rueda
Marcel OFARIEL Marul
SILF Partners
HCA Abogados
Pérez Ruiz, Corderono, Benito & Arntsen (PAGBARR)
Pico Contador Abogados
Shawco & Vianesi

Bolivia
Agencia Católica Lima (Bolivia)
CB & F Rojas Abogados
Ferreiro (Buenos)
HCS Abogados
Hernández & Asociados
Hernández Rodríguez Estudio de Abogados
PPO Abogados

Brazil
BMA Abogados
Cavero, Benito, Pascho & Benito Abogados
CQDFY - Cavani, Quares, Salazar, Fittipaldi & Valério Abogados
De Vito, Castro, Costa & Winkler Abogados
Domenet Abogados
Domenet Abogados
Lima & Coudinho Abogados
Luffert
Machado Moura Abogados
Machado Abogados
Matias Filho
Mayer, Mariz Abogados
Máximo Abogados
Máximo & Barros Sociedade de Advogados
Pereira Neto Abogados
Squadra Castro
Dial & Chequer Abogados in association with Mayer Brown
Tezanos Abogados
Torch-Rose International
Vianesi Abogados
Vila Fugares, Bardi & Galdoni Abogados
Viana Ferreira Abogados
Wongchenbaum Soares Abogados

Central America
Agencia Católica Lima
Aila
Alto
BLP
Consentium Legal
Mayer & Mayer

Chile
Albargi Zaldarri
Alonso
Baker McKenzie CHdE
Barrera & Echeburu Abogados
Barrera & Echeburu Abogados
Carmy
Carrasco Díaz Pérez Cisternas
CHG Carrasco & Almonde
Custodio & Chaz
DLA Piper CHdE
Fonsalderhine
Fonsalderhine & Bander Abogados
García Olave
Jara del Fresno
Molina & Baza
Philips/Phonocarreras Ferrero DU & Vile (CHdE)
Pinto
Landa Revoredo Omega & Diaz
Vergara Salazar Correa Abogados

Colombia
Baker & McKenzie (Colombia)
Bogotá (Unión)
Chapin Vargas & Asociados
Contreras Legal
Contreras (Colombia)
Dentons Carmona & Carmona
Escobar Abogados S.A.S.
Geddy/Proton_Geddy
Gómez Pineda
Lloréns Gamache & Co
Lloréns & Asociados
Martínez Quaresma Hernández González Leguado & De La Rosa
Medina & Cuervo Abogados
Halter Tamayo & Asociados Para Rodríguez Abogados
Philips/Phonocarreras Ferrero DU & Vile (Colombia)
Pérez Herrera Ruiz
Pérez Cuervo Abogados
Quir
Sarmiento Martínez CMA
Lillo Torres Abogados

Costa Rica
Farioli Carlin

Dominican Republic
Hualde Ruiz Alvarez & Fernández
Rozas, Vozes & Vozes Borelli
Molina Cárdena

Ecuador
ECUA CPA
Fur Bustamante Paredes & Hurtado
Pérez Bustamante & Pérez (PSP)
MOLINER

Guatemala
Carrillo & Asociados
Carly Law
Maldonado
Pérez Abogados

Honduras
García & Bordin (Honduras)
GUSA Law
Llusa & Asociados

Mexico
Baker McKenzie (Mexico)
Bustamante, Rojas & Carrasco
BDSB - Bello, Galarraga, Benítez & García, SC
Blanco Carrillo, SC
Camacho Ortiz & Asociados, SC
Chavez Ruiz, Zambrana y Cia SC
Crest, García-García, Araya y Enriquez SC
Cuatrecasas (Mexico)
García Abogados
García (Mexico)
Hernández-Luna (Mexico)
Greenberg Traurig SC
Hogan Lovells (Mexico)
Holland & Knight (Mexico)
Horta del Puerto Collado, SC
Jarama (Mexico)
Maldonado Abogados Liberales
Molina, Angulo, Carrillo y Fuentes SC
Black Hunter & Vázquez, SC
Jara Abogados
Sánchez Osamea
Santamaría & Baza
Santos Elizalde, SC
SIMP Legal
Trujillo Abogados
Vila Herrera y Sierra SC
White & Case SC

Nicaragua
CUSA Americas & Consultants at Law

Panama
Arias, Filizaga & Filizaga
García, Arias & López
Horgan & Horgan

Paraguay
BDO (Paraguay)
Centro de Estudios de Derechos Humanos, EAS
Ferreiro (Paraguay)
Ferreiro, Carrillo & Aranda
Villanueva Abogados & Consultores
Vizcarra Abogados

Peru
Baker McKenzie
Benito, Vargas & Ugo Abogados
Confederación (Peru)
Credito Cooperativo miembro Beca of Baker McKenzie International
Rodríguez Angulo Abogados
GSA Legal
Hernández & Cia
Hernández & Aranda
Hernández & Sierra Abogados
Pérez, Pico, Carrasco, Pérez Abogados
Philips/Phonocarreras Ferrero DU & Vile (Peru)
Pérez, Ruiz & De La Cruz

Uruguay
Bergamini Abogados
Bergamini Abogados
Ferreiro (Uruguay)
Gómez & Magaña
Hugues & Hughes
Pineda

Venezuela
Alonso
Baker McKenzie (Venezuela)
OTI Legal
Despacho de Abogados miembros de Dentons
HEDRA - Hernández, Palacios, Acosta, Borjas, Pérez Pumar & Cu