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José Manuel García Rebolledo is an international associate and a member of the International Litigation and Arbitration Practice. His work focuses on representing States in investment arbitration proceedings. José Manuel has experience representing sovereign States in arbitration proceedings under the arbitration rules of the International Center for Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID) and the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL). He has also provided advice to national governments in matters of international law. He has represented foreign States in claims brought against them in U.S. courts and has experience representing individuals in federal investigations under the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act (FCPA) and in providing advice to sovereign States regarding extradition of fugitives in the United States.

Before joining Foley Hoag, José Manuel worked in the American Bar Association, Rule of Law Initiative. He performed research on international human rights law and advised on the implementation of capacity-building programs across Latin America and the Caribbean region focusing on judicial sector assessment and legal education. José Manuel was a researcher and lecturer in the Universidad Iberoamericana Puebla, in Mexico, teaching international human rights law.

BAR ADMISSIONS

- Admitted only in New York; not engaged in the practice of law in the District of Columbia.

REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

International investment arbitration

- *Talal Awamleh et al. v. State of Qatar*. Represented Qatar in an arbitration brought by media enterprises over a dispute related to the production of TV and film projects.
- *Nissan Motor Company Limited v. The Republic of India*. Represents India in an arbitration brought by the Renault & Nissan Consortium over disputes related to taxation measures adopted by a state government.
- *Italba Corporation v. Oriental Republic of Uruguay*. Represented Uruguay in a case involving claims over rights to use the electromagnetic spectrum and regulation of the Uruguayan telecommunications industry. The case was dismissed on jurisdictional grounds and more than USD\$ 5 million were awarded to Uruguay in costs.

INDUSTRIES

Sovereign States

PRACTICES

Investor-State Arbitration

International Litigation & Arbitration

White Collar Crime & Government
Investigations

Latin America

EDUCATION

University of California Berkeley School
of Law Boalt Hall, LL.M., 2010

Universidad Iberoamericana, Licenciatura
en Derecho, 2006

LANGUAGES

Spanish

English

- *Highbury International AVV and Ramstein Trading Inc. v. Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela*. Represented Venezuela in the annulment proceedings of an ICSID award rendered against claimants in the underlying arbitration related to a dispute of an alleged expropriation of gold and diamond mining concessions.
- *Philip Morris Brands Sàrl, Philip Morris Products S.A. and Abal Hermanos S.A. v. Oriental Republic of Uruguay*. Represented Uruguay successfully in a case related to claims brought against Uruguay's adoption of the most progressive tobacco control regulation in the world; inclusive of claims related to the treatment of the administrative appeals made the investors in national courts. The tribunal dismissed all claims against Uruguay.
- *Valores Mundiales, S.L. and Consorcio Andino S.L. v. Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela*. Represented Venezuela in a claim brought by the world largest wheat and corn flour products company's subsidiaries for the alleged expropriation of their facilities in Venezuela.
- *Merck Sharpe & Dohme (I.A.) v. The Republic of Ecuador*. Represents the Republic of Ecuador in an UNCITRAL arbitration under the Ecuador - U.S. bilateral investment treaty arising from the alleged treatment of a foreign investor by the Ecuadorean judiciary.
- *Tenaris S.A. and Talta – Trading e Marketing Sociedade Unipessoal Lda. v. Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela*. Represented Venezuela in the annulment proceedings of an award issued on an ICSID proceeding brought in connection with the alleged expropriation of a steel plant.
- *Rusoro Mining Limited v. The Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela*. Represented Venezuela in a US\$3.03 Billion claim brought by a Canadian gold mining company in an ICSID Additional Facility arbitration concerning the nationalization of the company's assets.

International Commercial Arbitration

- *Línea Amarilla S.A.C. v. Municipalidad Metropolitana de Lima*. Represents the Metropolitan Municipality of Lima in a contract-based arbitration under the International Arbitration Chamber of Paris (CAIP) commenced by Línea Amarilla S.A.C. (LAMSAC). The arbitration arises from a dispute concerning the calculation and adjustment of tolls charged as part of a contract to construct and refurbish certain roadways in Lima.
- *Rutas de Lima v. Municipalidad Metropolitana de Lima*. Represents the Metropolitan Municipality of Lima in a contract based arbitration before ICSID, initiated by Rutas de Lima S.A.C. based on a construction contract and the operation and maintenance of a toll road in Lima. The controversy arises from the implementation of a new toll station and the measures taken by the Municipality in response to the related popular demonstrations.

Experience in other areas

- Advised Mexican entity "CENAGAS" (National Center for Control of Natural Gas), responsible for operating the national system of transport and storage pipelines, with respect to its international standards for public procurement.
- Represents a client in an ongoing federal investigation led by the Department of Justice and the Securities Exchange Commission regarding alleged international bribery in Mexico under the FCPA.

- Advised and represented a Central American energy conglomerate regarding the correction and removal of slanderous publications made against the company in printed and electronic media.

HONORS & INVOLVEMENT

Honors

- Latinvex 2021 – Top 25 Rising Legal Stars in Latin America

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- Speaker. “Jurisdiction Ratione Temporis and Ratione Voluntatis.” 5th Executive Training for Public Officials on Investment and Arbitration Treaties organized by the Center for Sustainable Investment at Columbia University. New York USA 2019.
- Panelist. “La intervención del Poder Judicial en los Países Latinoamericanos” Congreso de la Red Juvenil de Arbitraje.” Diálogos entre el Poder Judicial y el Arbitraje: Perspectivas Latinoamericanas”, organized by the Arbitration and Mediation Center of the Chamber of Commerce of Bogotá. Bogotá, Colombia, 2019.