Certifications

**Admitted to Practice Law in Venezuela**, October 1995 - Present

**Admitted to Practice Law in Florida,** May 2022 – Present

Education

**Florida International University College of Law,** Miami, Florida

Juris Doctor, December 2021

**Harvard Law School,** Cambridge, Massachusetts

Harvard Negotiation Institute (formerly known as Program of Instruction for Lawyers)

**Certificate**: Workshop on Basic Negotiation: Creating Value in Deals & Disputes, June 2006

**Certificate**: Workshop on Advanced Negotiation: Difficult Conversations, June 2006

**University of California Davis, School of Law**, Davis, California

Master of Arts in International Commercial Law, September 2001

**Universidad Católica Andrés Bello**, Caracas, Venezuela

Master of Arts in Commercial Law / Especialización en Derecho Mercantil, April 2000

Master of Arts in Procedure Law / Especialización en Derecho Procesal, April 1999

Law Degree (Bachelor of Science in Law) / Abogado, October 1995

Experience

**JEDCA Law, P.A.**, Boca Raton, Florida

Managing Partner, May 2022 to Present

Areas of expertise:

* International and Domestic Arbitration.
* Commercial and Intellectual Property (Trademarks and Copyrights) Litigation
* Anti-Counterfeiting litigation in Latin America
* Corporate and Business Law
* Data Privacy and Anti-corruption Compliance in Latin America

**Jedca Consulting, LLC**, Miami, Florida

Director, January 2021 to May 2022

* Advised clients in strategies to be implemented and developed in international arbitration and mediation.
* Assisted clients in transactional negotiations.
* Participated as mediator and arbitrator in complex commercial disputes

**United States Agency for International Development (USAID)**, Miami, Florida

**Independent Consultant**, July, 2020 to December, 2020

* Coordinated with law firms in the United Kingdom, Switzerland, and the U.S. the strategy and prosecution of over sixty judicial and extrajudicial cases, and over ten international arbitration cases, involving sovereign states and state-owned companies in the oil and gas sector.
* Developed and implemented technological platforms based on Microsoft Teams according to the strictest security and privacy protocols to organize all international arbitration, judicial and non-judicial cases.
* Supervised six attorneys and foreign legal consultants who provided legal and strategic advice on litigation, arbitration matters, and anti-corruption measures and investigations.

**LEĜA Abogados (previously Imery Urdaneta)**,Caracas, Venezuela

**Partner**, May, 2007 to June 2020

* Led and developed corporate compliance and anti-corruption practices.
* Promoted new businesses by expanding the firm's professional network to the areas of international arbitration, and corporate compliance primarily related to anti-bribery and anti-money laundering matters.
* Led the technology industry-specific group, as well as the mediation and conflict resolution practice.
* Advocated for multinational clients before international arbitration tribunals and local judicial courts in Venezuela, in cases involving intellectual property claims and commercial contracts in various industries, including oil and gas, automotive, food and beverages, computer and software, and alcohol and spirits.

**Markven Propiedad Intelectual (currently Antequera Parilli & Rodriguez)**,Caracas, Venezuela

**Partner**, June, 2011 to March, 2018

* Developed the anti-counterfeiting and IP protection litigation practices.
* Provided strategic leadership, heading litigation, anti-counterfeiting, and dispute resolution for the firm, specializing in trademarks, copyrights, and anti-counterfeiting litigation.
* Supervised trial teams. Represented clients through transactional negotiations, mediations, and litigation.
* Conducted anti-counterfeiting investigations, formulated legal strategies, and developed negotiations.

**Universidad Monteávila**, Caracas, Venezuela

* **Adjunct Professor**, Evidence, Civil Procedure and ADR, September, 2002 to January, 2014
* **Law Review Director and Editor**, Derecho y Sociedad (Law & Society), January, 2006 to January, 2012
* **Founder / Director**, Center of Investigations and Studies in Dispute Resolution, January, 2006 to January, 2018

Developed strategic and academic alliances with business organizations and chambers of commerce, which contributed to a major development of the legal practice in mediation and arbitration in Venezuela.

**Instituto de Estudios Superiores de Administración (IESA)**, Caracas, Venezuela

* **Adjunct Professor**, Negotiation and Mediation, January, 2008 to December, 2016

**Universidad Católica Andrés Bello**, Caracas, Venezuela

* **Adjunct Professor**, Evidence and ADR, September, 2008 to September, 2016

**Travieso Evans Arria Rengel & Paz**, Caracas, Venezuela

**Senior Associate**, April, 1996 to April 2007

Assisted and represented corporate clients in a broad range of cases, including civil and commercial litigation, international contracts, and electronic commerce. Managed multiple cases simultaneously. Provided legal assistance in Venezuela to multinational companies and collaborated with different legal departments within the firm to reach best counseling results. Specialized in international and domestic arbitration involving oil and gas contracts and companies.

Affiliations

Member: Florida Bar Association; International Bar Association; American Bar Association; Palm Beach County Bar Association; South Palm Beach County Bar Association; Palm Beach County Hispanic Bar Association; Broward County Hispanic Bar Association; Asociación Venezolana de Arbitraje; Association of South Florida Mediators and Arbitrators; Club Español del Arbitraje; Miami International Arbitration Society

Publications

*Promoción, Evacuación y Valoración de Mensajes de Datos como Medios de Prueba, in* III Jornadas de Aníbal Dominici: Derecho Probatorio. Homenaje Dr. Ricardo Henríquez La Roche, 122-163 (Ediciones Funeda, Caracas, Venezuela, 2011).

*Recursos de Terceros Frente a Medidas Cautelares Acordadas por Tribunales Arbitrales, in* Revista Derecho y Sociedad No. 9: Negociación, Mediación y Arbitraje, 223-242, (Universidad Monteávila, Caracas, Venezuela, 2010).

*Discurso Homenaje a la Obra Científica del Doctor Arístides Rengel Romberg, in* Revista Derecho y Sociedad No. 9: Negociación, Mediación y Arbitraje, 268-287, (Universidad Monteávila, Caracas, Venezuela, 2010).

*Breves Estudios Sobre el Juicio de Cuentas en Venezuela, in* Revista Derecho y Sociedad No. 5. Homenaje a Arístides Rengel Romberg, 203-262, (Universidad Monteávila, Caracas, Venezuela, 2005).

Languages

Spanish (Native language)

English (Speaks, reads, and writes fluently)