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#### **PRACTICE AREAS**

- Business Law
- Banking & Finance

# **ACCREDITATIONS**

#### **Education**

- Postgraduate degree in International Commercial Arbitration, Universidad de Alcalá, Spain, 2007.
- Master's degree in Corporate Law,
  Cervantes Scholar, Universidad de Alcalá,
  Spain, 2007.
- Law degree, cum laude, Universidad Francisco Marroquín, Guatemala, 2005.

# **LANGUAGES**

- Spanish
- English



# **Carolina** Saadeh

# **SPECIAL COUNSEL**

ABOUT

Carolina Saadeh, Special Counsel at BLP in Guatemala City, specializes in Business Law and Banking & Finance, with a focus on regulatory matters. Her experience includes corporate transactions, legal audits, restructurings, mergers and acquisitions, estate planning, strategic alliances, real estate and banking transactions, drafting legal opinions and commercial contracts. Carolina joined BLP as a Senior Associate in 2022.

#### EXPERIENCE

#### Restructuring Phoenix Tower loans in Guatemala and El Salvador.

BLP advised Scotiabank, which acted as the lead arranger and broker of the transaction, heading a syndicate of banks that restructured the loan agreements. The borrower re-arranged several loans through the deal, placing loans borrowed by Phoenix Tower's U.S., Spanish, and Chilean subsidiaries into the same debt structure. The portfolio now includes a \$1.4 billion credit line, a \$540 million delayed draw term loan, and a \$56 million revolving credit facility. The transaction won Latin Lawyer's 17th annual Deal of the Year Award in the banking and finance category.

## Moody's entry into Central America.

BLP was the leading advisor to Moody's in the acquisition of SC Riesgo's operations in Central America, involving all aspects related to the transaction.

**Global life science ingredients distributor Acquires DIVSA in Central America.** BLP advised Barentz International on the acquisition of 100% of the shares of Distribuciones Industriales Variadas, S.A. (DIVSA) in a significant transaction involving eight jurisdictions.

#### RECOGNITIONS

• Recommended Lawyer by The Legal 500.

#### ASSOCIATIONS & AFFILIATIONS

Guatemalan Bar and Notaries Association (CANG)