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## **PRACTICE AREAS**

Dispute Resolution

## ACCREDITATIONS

### Education

 Law Degree, Universidad Escuela Libre de Derecho, Costa Rica, 2018

## LANGUAGES

- Spanish
- English



## Business Law Partners.

# Gabriel Durán **ASSOCIATE**

## ABOUT

Gabriel Durán is an Associate at BLP in San José, Costa Rica, specializing in Dispute Resolution with experience advising and resolving civil, commercial and criminal law disputes. He has participated in conciliations and arbitrations and worked in Health Registries and Intellectual Property, advising companies on product registration, regulation, and defense of intellectual property rights. After joining BLP in 2017 as a paralegal, Gabriel earned a promotion to Associate in 2019. Currently, he coordinates the firm's LGBTI Commission. In 2022, Yahoo Finance added Gabriel's name to their Outstanding LGBT+ Role Model Lists, which features LGBT+ business leaders and allies who are breaking down barriers and creating more inclusive workplaces worldwide.

## EXPERIENCE

### Global life science ingredients distributor Acquires DIVSA in Central America.

BLP counseled Barentz International on the acquisition of 100% of the shares of Distribuciones Industriales Variadas, S.A. (DIVSA) in a significant transaction involving eight jurisdictions.

### Cementos Progreso is expanding its presence in Central America.

BLP has advised Cementos Progreso Holdings, S.L. on the \$335 million acquisition of assets from Cemex, S.A.B of C.V. in Costa Rica and El Salvador. The acquisition includes a cement plant, a cement mill, various ready-mix concrete plants, an aggregates guarry, and distribution centers in Costa Rica and El Salvador. The transaction bolsters Cementos Progreso's expansion in Central America, consolidating operations in seven countries.

## ASSOCIATIONS & AFFILIATIONS

- Costa Rican Bar Association: Member
- Costa Rican Bar Association: Member of the Sexual Diversity Commission
- Pride Connection, an initiative by AED: Member
- International Bar Association: Member