



# Jorge Brizuela

## PARTNER

"Jorge Brizuela's professionalism, responsibility and availability stand out. He has broad knowledge in tax matters, providing an agile service with favourable results".

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### ABOUT

Jorge Brizuela, a Partner at BLP in Tegucigalpa, Honduras specializes in Tax, Public Law, Public Procurement & Regulation, and Business Law. With 29 years of experience, he advises national and international companies on tax issues, defense before the Tax Authority and litigation. He excels in public and regulatory law, especially in industries such as oil and telecommunications. He is a leader in mergers, acquisitions and management contracting, including energy projects. Recognized for his legal knowledge, availability and skills to integrate international teams, he joined BLP as partner in 2015.

### EXPERIENCE

**BLP assisted CELSIA with the entire process of obtaining Environmental Licenses.**

BLP also assisted in registering suppliers of equipment and materials for generating electricity. CELSIA was also registered in the Registry of Exonerates to enjoy the tax benefit of the General Directorate of Customs Franchise Control of the Ministry of Finance.

**Chevron in Lawsuits against Honduran Tax Authority.**

BLP represents Chevron in two lawsuits against the Honduran Tax Authority for (1) denying Chevron's right not to pay 1% over gross income as income tax, and (2) nullifying the right to a credit for overpaid fuel tax.

**Texhong is a leading textile company that is expanding to Honduras.**

BLP advised Texhong on starting its enterprise in Honduras, especially with the authorization as a free trade zone operator, and on the necessary exemptions to construct a facility valued at \$100,000,000.

**Dole Lawsuits.**

BLP manages the daily tax matters of five Dole companies in Honduras, and also, represents Dole in lawsuits against different municipalities that are restricting the company from using land, imposing a 150-meter strip that Dole cannot cultivate.

**BLP advised Desarrollos Regionales on obtaining the necessary authorizations to operate a free trade zone (FTZ)** enterprise for the production of solar energy and to supply electric power to other industrial parks, as well as the necessary registrations to enjoy the tax exemptions and customs benefits granted to members of the FTZ regime.

### ASSOCIATIONS & AFFILIATIONS

- Honduras Bar Association.
- International Fiscal Association (IFA) Honduras: Chair of the Board of Directors.
- Conciliation and Arbitration Center of the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Tegucigalpa: Registered arbitrator and conciliator.
- International Bar Association (IBA): Member.

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#### PRACTICE AREAS

- Tax
- Public Law, Public Procurement & Regulation

#### ACCREDITATIONS

##### Education

- Law degree, Universidad Nacional Autónoma de Honduras, (UNAH), 1994.

#### RECONOCIMIENTOS

- Recognized in Tax by Chambers and Partners
- Listed as a Leading Individual by The Legal 500

#### LANGUAGES

- Spanish
- English