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# Lilian López

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"Lilian López is a highly skilled professional in tax issues, and boasts investigative capabilities. She also leads a very efficient team of lawyers". Chambers and Partners


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### PRACTICE AREAS

- Banking & Finance
- Free Trade Zones
- Tax
- Business Law
- International Trade

### ACCREDITATIONS

Education

- Ph.D. in Financial and Tax Law, Universidad Complutense de Madrid, Spain, 2016.

- Degree in Legal and Social Sciences, Universidad Nacional Autónoma de Honduras (UNAH), 1994.

- Master's degree in Taxation and Tax Advice, Center for Financial Studies of Madrid, Spain, 1999.

- Management Diploma in customs and tax matters, Universidad Católica de Honduras, 2001.

## ABOUT

Lilian López is a Partner at BLP in Honduras, specializing in Banking & Finance, Business Law, Tax, and Free Trade Zones. With 24 years of experience, she excels in International Trade, advising on customs regimes, Central American customs regulations, customs value adjustments, and challenges. In Taxation, her expertise includes tax litigation, challenging adjustments, tax planning, special regimes, exemptions, and credits. Formerly head of the Legal Advisory Department at the Executive Directorate of Revenues (DEI) for four years, Lilian contributed to the Legal Manual for Auditors Project sponsored by DEI funds, now known as the Tax Administration Service (SAR).

## EXPERIENCE

BLP advised HELVETAS SWISS INTERCOOPERATION and FUNDACION HELVETAS during their merger in Honduras.
BLP advised and carried out this merger, and after analyzing with the tax team, it was possible to create a tax strategy to facilitate this merger that closed in 2020 due to Covid-19.

BLP advised SCATEC, a leading company in the production of clean energy, on sales tax exemption.

BLP advised Pacific Solar Energy S.A. de C.V., a leading company in the production of clean energy, on sales tax exemption.
The BLP team designed a strategy to acquire tax-free goods and services, receiving an exemption at the end of the fiscal period.

BLP advised PRODERSA, a solar energy company created to build, operate, and own the "N ACAOME 2" solar p ower plant.
The BLP team designed a strategy for the acquisition of tax-free goods and services, receiving an exemption at the end of the fiscal period.

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**BLP advised BECAMO to incorporate within the Free Trade Zone regime.**
BLP advised throughout the entire process until incorporation, which implied obtaining tax advantages.

**BLP advised Chiquita Honduras Company** on all tax issues arising from its agricultural operations in Honduras, ensuring compliance with its tax obligations and guaranteeing the enjoyment of all exemptions and exonerations provided for by law.

**Appeal against the tax administration of Honduras.**
BLP acted as lead counsel advising Empresa Energía Eólica de Honduras S.A. on the presentation of an appeal against the tax administration of Honduras.

### RECOGNITIONS

• Recognized in the practice of Tax by Chambers and Partners.

• Recognized as a Leading individual in the practice of Tax by The Legal 500.

### LANGUAGES

• Spanish
• English

### ASSOCIATIONS & AFFILIATIONS

• Honduras Bar Association.
• International Fiscal Association Honduras (IFA): Founding member.
• Conciliation and Arbitration Center of the Chamber of Commerce and Industries of Tegucigalpa: Certified arbitrator and conciliator.
• International Bar Association: Member.