

## 53 McV Attorneys listed by Best Lawyers Puerto Rico 2026; 4 named "Lawyer of the Year"

### **McV News**

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We are proud to announce that Best Lawyers Puerto Rico has featured 53 of our attorneys on the 2026 edition of *The Best Lawyers in Puerto Rico*®. In addition, four of our attorneys were recognized as Lawyer of the Year:

- Anita Montaner-Sevillano – *Immigration Law*
- Carlos J. Fernández-Lugo - *Energy Law*
- Carlos J. Villafañe-Real – *Employee Benefits Law*
- Ernesto N. Mayoral – *Banking & Finance Law*

Our attorneys were recognized in 27 categories, and 35 of them were listed in multiple categories. This year's complete list includes:

### **Administrative Law**

- Arturo J. García-Solá
- Antonio J. Ramírez-Aponte
- Rubén Méndez-Benabe
- Antonio J. Rodríguez
- Maria C. Cartagena-Cancel

### **Appellate Practice**

- Arturo J. García-Solá
- Juan A. Marqués-Díaz
- Alejandro J. Cepeda-Díaz
- Leslie Y. Flores-Rodríguez

### **Arbitration and Mediation**

- Arturo J. García-Solá
- Juan A. Marqués-Díaz
- Roberto C. Quiñones-Rivera

### **Banking and Finance Law**

- Ernesto N. Mayoral
- Rubén Méndez-Benabe
- Antonio J. Ramírez-Aponte
- Juan A. Marqués-Díaz
- Lizzie M. Portela-Fernández
- Marcos Rodríguez-Ema
- Salvador F. Casellas
- María Cristina Salas-Díaz
- Melba I. Acosta-Febo

### **Competition / Antitrust Law**

- Roberto C. Quiñones-Rivera

### **Corporate and M&A Law**

- Rubén Méndez-Benabe
- Antonio J. Rodríguez
- Ernesto N. Mayoral
- Francisco J. Pavía
- Henry O. Freese-Souffront
- Lizzie M. Portela-Fernández
- Marcos Rodríguez-Ema
- Ricardo J. García-Negrón
- Samuel T. Céspedes Jr.
- Antonio Escudero-Viera
- Esteban R. "Ricky" Bengoa
- Iraida Diez
- María Cristina Salas-Díaz
- Melba I. Acosta-Febo

- Silvestre M. Miranda

**Corporate Governance & Compliance Practice**

- Ernesto N. Mayoral
- Samuel T. Céspedes Jr.

**Debt & Equity**

- Nayuan Zouairabani-Trinidad

**Employee Benefits**

- Carlos J. Villafañe-Real
- Lillian Toro-Mojica
- Yamary I. González-Berríos
- Angel S. Ruiz-Rodríguez

**Energy Law**

- Carlos J. Fernández-Lugo
- Germán A. Novoa-Rodríguez
- Rosa Corrada

**Environmental Law**

- Carlos J. Fernández-Lugo
- Jorge J. García-Díaz
- Germán A. Novoa-Rodríguez

**Franchise Law**

- Samuel T. Céspedes Jr.

**Hospitality and Tourism Law**

- Jorge M. Ruiz-Montilla

- Patricia George-Iguina

### **Immigration Law**

- Anita Montaner-Sevillano

### **Insolvency and Reorganization Law**

- Antonio A. Arias-Larcada
- Nayuan Zouairabani-Trinidad

### **Insurance Law**

- Antonio J. Ramírez-Aponte
- Ernesto N. Mayoral
- Roberto Prats-Palerm

### **Intellectual Property Law**

- Dora M. Peñagaricano
- Roberto C. Quiñones-Rivera
- Isabel Torres-Sastre
- María Teresa Szendrey-Ramos

### **Labor and Employment Law**

- Anita Montaner-Sevillano
- Miguel Rivera-Arce
- Reinaldo L. Figueroa-Matos
- Iraida Diez

### **Land Use and Zoning Law**

- Carlos J. Fernández-Lugo
- Rosa Corrada

**Litigation**

- Arturo J. García-Solá
- Juan A. Marqués-Díaz
- Henry O. Freese-Souffront
- Anita Montaner-Sevillano
- Antonio A. Arias-Larcada
- Dora M. Peñagaricano
- Eduardo A. Zayas-Marxuach
- Leslie Y. Flores-Rodríguez
- Roberto C. Quiñones-Rivera
- Roberto Prats-Palerm
- Rubén Muñiz-Bonilla
- Britt E. Arrieta-Rivera
- Iraida Diez
- Myrgia M. Palacios-Cabrera
- Sonia M. López del Valle

**Natural Resources Law**

- Carlos J. Fernández-Lugo

**Privacy and Data Security Law**

- Ernesto N. Mayoral

**Project Finance and Development Practice**

- Salvador F. Casellas

**Real Estate Law**

- Jorge M. Ruiz-Montilla
- Patricia George-Iguina

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- Francisco J. Pavía
- Harry O. Cook
- Paul R. Cortés-Rexach
- Salvador F. Casellas
- Silvestre M. Miranda

### **Structured Finance Law**

- Salvador F. Casellas

### **Tax Law**

- Isis Carballo-Irigoyen
- Yamary I. González-Berrios
- Lillian Toro-Mojica
- Rubén Muñiz-Bonilla
- Angel S. Ruiz-Rodríguez
- Antonio J. Rodríguez
- Carlos J. Villafañe-Real
- Leyla González-Ibarría
- Mariana M. Contreras-Gómez
- Xenia Vélez

### **Trusts and Estates**

- Antonio Escudero-Viera
- María Teresa Szendrey-Ramos

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