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Practices and Sectors

- Litigation & Conflict Resolution

Profile

Felipe began his professional practice in 2006, focusing primarily on domestic and international arbitration, dispute resolution, and business law. He is a lawyer and specialist in Commercial Law with a Master of Laws (LL.M.). He possesses extensive experience in complex arbitrations across various jurisdictions, seats, and applicable laws, including Colombia, Latin America, Europe, and North America. His career has positioned him as a leading figure in arbitration within Colombia and the region.

He speaks in Spanish and English.

Education

- Master of Laws (LL.M.), Georgetown University Law Center, Washington D.C.
- Postgraduate Degree in Commercial Law, Universidad de los Andes, Bogotá
- Law, Universidad de los Andes, Bogotá

Professional Experience

He has developed a highly specialized practice in international arbitration, domestic arbitration, and strategic dispute resolution, acting as party counsel, arbitrator, tribunal president, sole arbitrator, and tribunal secretary. He has intervened in high-complexity disputes related to infrastructure projects, energy, oil and gas, mining, construction, commercial contracts, and corporate controversies under various international and local arbitration rules.

He has represented national and international clients in arbitrations seated in the Americas and Europe, applying foreign laws and international trade principles, as well as in set-aside and recognition of award proceedings. His experience includes conducting arbitrations involving exceptionally high amounts—considered emblematic at regional and global levels—as well as providing strategic advice to boards of directors, shareholders, and executives regarding corporate conflicts and complex transactions.

Additionally, he has participated in investment arbitrations and state-investor disputes, and has advised clients on disputes arising from EPC contracts and large-scale engineering projects, assisting them in both pre-contentious and arbitral stages, achieving favorable results and high-impact negotiated settlements.

Academic and Doctrinal Activity

- He has been a professor of Obligations, Civil Liability, and Business Law at Universidad de los Andes. Additionally, he has taught arbitration and corporate law in specialized courses organized by the Bogotá Chamber of Commerce, the National University of Colombia, and the Superintendency of Companies.
- Author of the book *Tratado de Derecho de Daños en los Contratos* (Treatise on Damage Law in Contracts), published by Tirant lo Blanch.
- Author of the book *Deberes y Responsabilidad Civil de los Administradores de Sociedades* (Duties and Civil Liability of Corporate Directors), published by Tirant lo Blanch.
- Author of multiple articles, including: "Gross Negligence and Limitation of Liability Clauses in International Arbitration: The ICC Case of the Cartagena Refinery," published in *La Ley: Mediación y Arbitraje* No. 17 by Wolters Kluwer; "The Duty to Disclose Third-Party Funding in International Arbitration: The Importance of Considering Litigious Retraction in Latin America and Spain" from the *Spain Arbitration Review* (Journal of the Spanish and Ibero-American Arbitration Club - CEIA); and "Mitigation of Damages in Contractual Matters," *Universitas*, Vol. 67, No. 136, published by Pontificia Universidad Javeriana, among others.

Memberships and Affiliations

- Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (FCIArb) in London, UK.
- Founder of the Colombian Chapter of the Spanish Arbitration Club.
- Member of the Latin American Arbitration Association (ALARB).
- Member of the Arbitration Commission of the ICC Colombian Committee.
- Member of the Colombian Arbitration Committee (CCA).
- Member of the College of Commercial Lawyers (CAC).

Recognitions

- Leading Lawyer, The Legal 500 2026, Arbitration.
- Chambers Latin America 2026, Dispute Resolution.
- Leading, Leaders League 2025, Arbitration.