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Education

J.D., Columbia Law School, 1980
Charles Evans Hughes Prize
Parker School Certificate of International Law
with Honors

M.A., Dartmouth College, 2002

B.A., Dartmouth College, 1977
magna cum laude, with High Honors

Language Proficiency

Spanish, Portuguese and French.

Bar Qualifications

Mr. Fernandez is qualified to practice before the New York and New Jersey state bars, the U.S. District Court for the District of New Jersey and the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York.

Areas of Expertise

Mr. Fernandez is a partner in the New York office of Latham & Watkins, and Global Co-Chair of the firm's Latin America practice. For over two decades, his practice has focused on Latin America, working on a wide variety of matters as the economies of the region have evolved. Mr. Fernandez has handled some of the region's most complex acquisitions for corporations and private equity firms, and has advised on financings, privatizations, securities offerings, arbitrations and joint ventures across a number of Latin American countries. He also represents banks in loans and restructurings in a cross-section of industries, including mining, energy and telecommunications. His broad practice includes advising governments and bidders in more than 20 privatizations throughout Latin America and Africa.

Mr. Fernandez was named one of the "World's Leading Lawyers" by *Chambers Global* for his M&A and corporate expertise, an "Expert" in *International Financial Law Review's* "Guide to the World's Leading Project Finance Lawyers", and one of the "World's Leading Privatization



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Lawyers" by *Euromoney* Publications. He has been featured by *Hispanic Business Magazine* in its "100 Influentials List" for 2006 and 2007.

Mr. Fernandez serves on the Board of Directors of Dartmouth College, Accion International, Council of the Americas and Middle East Institute. He has been both chair of the American Bar Association's Inter-American Law Committee and chair of the Committee on Inter-American Affairs of the Association of the Bar of the City of New York. He is currently Co-Chair of the Cross Border M&A and Joint Ventures Committee of the New York State Bar Association.

Mr. Fernandez is also a member of the Council of Foreign Relations, and a Commissioner in the New York City Latin Media and Entertainment Commission.