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Biography

Jorge Diaz-Silveira is the Managing Partner of the Hogan Lovells Miami office and Practice Area Leader (Americas) of the Infrastructure, Energy, Resources, and Projects Group. For more than 30 years, Jorge Diaz-Silveira has been working with clients to successfully construct, finance, develop, purchase, and sell an array of projects and businesses in a variety of industries, including real estate, electricity, agriculture, food services, transportation, water, and oil and gas.

Jorge works with clients, including sellers, purchasers, sponsors, developers, contractors, and other parties involved in infrastructure, who turn to him for his in-depth understanding of the issues that matter most in infrastructure and other sectors.

Jorge has worked on all aspects of projects, including acquiring and selling companies and developing and financing projects. Jorge can navigate and provide counsel on many types of contracts, such as loan agreements; stock and asset purchase and sale agreements; engineering, procurement, and construction (EPC) agreements; operations and maintenance (O&M) agreements; joint venture agreements; and development agreements. He also helps domestic and international clients with technical services agreements, license agreements, procurement contracts, and design/build agreements in projects involving conventional and renewable energy, oil and gas, and infrastructure assets.



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Languages

English
Spanish

Practices

Infrastructure, Energy, Resources,
and Projects
Caribbean Desk

Industries

Manufacturing and Industrials
Energy and Natural Resources
Financial Institutions
Private Capital
Transport and Logistics

Representative experience

Advising the Design-Build Joint Venture (Acciona, Shikun & Binui and American Construction Group) in the \$2.75 billion Fargo-Moorehead P3 Floodwater Diversion Project, a diversion channel.

Advising a large independent power producer on engineering, procurement, and construction contracts and build transfer agreements for three solar-powered electric generation projects in the U.S.

Advising on an engineering, procurement and construction contract for a 185 MW / 565 MWh stand alone battery energy storage project and related interconnection facilities.

Advising one of the largest independent power producers on engineering, procurement, and construction contract and build transfer agreement for a solar powered electric generation project in Iowa.

Advising on the first-ever dollar denominated bond issues on behalf of the Central America Bottling Corporation, a Latin American bottling company.

Guiding one of the world's largest cement companies in its agreement to sell its operations in Costa Rica and El Salvador.

Leading a Central American sugar producer in a syndicated credit facility with Banco Nacional de Mexico.

Advising an international beverage company in a strategic acquisition of a beverage business in the United States.

Representing an international group in its renegotiation of a long-term strategic joint venture for the commercialization of products in Central America.

Representing a family-owned conglomerate in its acquisition of a 50 percent stake in a leading food stock producer and distributor with an enterprise value in excess of US\$500m.

Areas of focus

Construction and Engineering

Infrastructure/Energy M&A and Joint Ventures

Education and admissions

Education

J.D., University of Miami School of Law, cum laude, 1988

A.B., Duke University, 1985

Memberships

Board Member, Hispanic National Bar Foundation

Chair, Duke University Alumni Admissions Advisory Committee

Board Member, Construction Law Committee, Florida Bar

Bar admissions and qualifications

Florida

District of Columbia

New York

Represented a family-owned entity in the purchase and sale of hotels and retail shopping centers in the Americas.

Representing an affiliate of CMI in its acquisition of a 50 percent interest in Procesadora Nacional de Alimentos (Pronaca), Ecuador's largest food processing business.

Representing CMI in the acquisition of the 100 percent stake of Actis and Mesoamerica and Globeleq Mesoamerica Energy.

Represented a multilateral investment fund in the acquisition of an oil and gas business in Latin America.

Represented a family-owned conglomerate in the acquisition of a significant wind and solar portfolio with an enterprise value of US\$500m and an installed capacity of over 500 MW.

Representing the energy division of Latin America conglomerate in the purchase of wind and solar facilities, a transaction with an enterprise value over US\$1bn.

Represented a power producer in the auction and sale of its interest in two utility scale gas-fired, electric plants with an aggregate purchase price of US\$1.55bn.

Represented several developers in the development, construction, and financing of utility scale generating facilities in the Western United States.

Represented sponsors in development and financing of a petrochemical plant involving Asian and multilateral lenders.

Represented an independent power producer in the development and financing of a 720 MW gas-fired combined cycle facility.

Represented independent power producers in the development and financing of four hydroelectric facilities in Central America and another in South America.

Represented state-owned entities in the development, construction, and financing of several large-scale metro projects.

Represented the developer in the development, construction, and financing of a biomass fired energy generating facility.

Represented a state-owned company in the development, construction, and financing of a 1,500 MW hydroelectric generating facility in South America.

Represented public utilities in the development and construction of simple-cycle and combined-cycle generating facilities in the United States.

Represented developers in the construction and financing of several photovoltaic generating facilities in Central and South America.

Represented developers in development and construction and financing of liquefied natural gas (LNG) facilities in the Americas.

Represented state-owned petrochemical companies in the development and financing of nitrogen fertilizer production plants, an alumina plant, and an olefins complex.

Represented a public utility in negotiating contracts for the procurement and installation of major equipment at a nuclear facility in Southern California.

Representing a state-owned oil company in the development of an oil refinery with a capacity of 300,000 barrels per day.

Advising Pantaleon, as borrower, in a credit agreement with the IDB, as lender.

Awards and rankings

- Project Finance Deal of the Year, *IFLR Americas Awards*, 2022
- International Firms – City focus - Miami, Projects & Finance, Corporate and M&A, *The Legal 500 Latin America*, 2022
- Lawyer of the Year: International Trade and Finance

Law, *The Best Lawyers in America*, 2021

- International Trade and Finance Law, *The Best Lawyers in America*, 2012-2021
- Commercial Litigation, *The Best Lawyers in America*, 2021
- International Firms: Projects and Energy, *Legal 500 Latin America*, 2019
- Energy: Renewable/Alternative Power, *Legal 500 US*, 2019-2020
- Finance: Project Finance, *Legal 500 US*, 2018-2020
- Latin America - Experts Based Abroad, Projects, *Chambers Global*, 2013-2018
- Leaders in their Field, Projects, *Chambers Latin America*, 2012-2018
- Construction (Florida), *Chambers USA*, 2006-2007, 2014-2018
- Business, *International Who's Who Legal*, 2014-2018
- Public Procurement, *International Who's Who Legal*, 2012-2018
- Top Lawyer in South Florida, *South Florida Legal Guide*, 2006-2018
- Top Rated Lawyer, Energy, Environment and Natural Resources, *American Lawyer Media*, 2013

Latest thinking and events

- Announcements
 - IFLR Americas Awards recognize Hogan Lovells for work on 'Project Finance Deal of the Year'
- Sponsorships and Speaking Engagements
 - IJLATAM 2022
- Press Releases
 - Hogan Lovells advises Cygna Labs Group on the acquisition of Diamond IP
- Press Releases
 - Hogan Lovells advises The Central America Bottling Corporation on first USD Sustainability-Linked Bond by bottler in the Americas

- Hogan Lovells Publications
 - A Comparative Guide: Impact of COVID-19 on the Infrastructure and Energy Sector
- Announcements
 - Jorge Diaz-Silveira named Hogan Lovells Office Managing Partner in Miami