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Education

LL.M., Harvard Law School
Bachelor of Civil Law and Civil
Law Notary, *magna cum laude*,
Universidad Francisco
Marroquin, Guatemala City,
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Bar Admissions

New York
Guatemala

Background

Ana Rocio Monzón Woc (Rocio) represents clients in complex international disputes, focusing her practice on investor-state and commercial arbitrations.

Rocio's experience includes acting as counsel in disputes and transactions involving parties from across the globe, including the United States, Canada, Mexico, Guatemala, Colombia, Brazil, the Arab Republic of Egypt, the United Kingdom, Poland and Germany, and under the rules of the International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID), the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) and the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL).

Rocio also has experience in regulatory work, in particular advising Central American countries in trade policy matters. She has also been involved in the execution of international cooperation and development projects sponsored by the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB), the European Union (EU) and the United States Agency for International Development (USAID).

Rocio also provides pro bono legal services to a variety of nonprofit organizations and causes, including the Cyrus R. Vance Center for International Justice, Her Justice, the Public International Law & Policy Group (PILPG) and Amal Alliance, Inc., where she serves as Advisory Board member. She is a co-chair of the Affiliation of Latinx and Hispanic Attorneys (ALHA) at Eversheds Sutherland (US) and a mentor at the TotalLAW Prep Program aiming to increase diversity and inclusion in the legal profession.

Prior to joining Eversheds Sutherland, Rocio worked as an associate in the International Dispute Resolution practice of a major global law firm in New York. Rocio also worked at the Secretariat for Central American Economic Integration (SIECA) and at the CAFTA-DR Secretariat for Environmental Matters.

During law school, Rocio participated in study abroad programs at the Complutense University of Madrid (Spain); University of Pittsburgh, Touro College and University of Zagreb (Croatia); Columbia Law School, Amsterdam University and Leiden University (The Netherlands); and University of Barcelona (Spain). Rocio also participated in several

international moot courts, namely the Phillip C. Jessup Moot Court Competition (national champion and participant at the International Rounds), the Willem C. Vis Moot Court Competition (participant) and the ELSA Moot Court Competition on WTO Law (semi-finalist at the Final Oral Round).

Rocio is qualified to practice in New York and Guatemala.

Experience

- Representing Honwood Services Ltd against the State of Poland under the Cyprus-Poland Bilateral Investment Treaty for the expropriation of a potash mining project.
- Representing Future Pipe International B.V. against the Arab Republic of Egypt under the Egypt-Netherlands Bilateral Investment brought under the ICSID Convention.
- Represented Champion Holding Company against the Arab Republic of Egypt under the US-Egypt Bilateral Investment Treaty brought under the ICSID Convention regarding the expropriation of the investor's assets in several industries.
- Represented a Canadian investor in an investor-state arbitration against a South American Sovereign State, brought under the ICSID Rules and the Canada-Colombia Free Trade Agreement over a dispute related to the gold mining sector.
- Represented a Brazilian company in an ICC arbitration related to defective and incomplete construction work at a solar power facility in South America.
- Represented a Global Fortune 500 German company and its subsidiary in an ICC arbitration related to construction work at a mega-project in Central America.
- Advising a French national in connection with a \$35 million potential investment treaty arbitration in the hospitality sector against a North African host State. The arbitration would be the first such dispute brought under the applicable treaty.
- Advising a client in the marble mining sector on a multi-jurisdictional, multifaceted dispute resolution strategy for enforcing the client's claims and rights arising out of a \$50 million fraud in an Eastern European jurisdiction.

Professional Activities

- Secretary, Steering Committee of CPR Institute's Young Attorneys in Dispute Resolution (Y-ADR)
- Advisory Board Member, Amal Alliance
- Facilitator, Young ITA Mentorship Program (2021-2022) and Mentee (2020-2021)
- Mentor, TotalLAW Prep Program by Talento Total and the Vance Center for International Justice Member

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- New York City Bar Association, Inter-American Affairs Committee
 - Co-Chair, Inter-American Affairs Committee's Diversity Sub-committee
 - Member, Legal Education Sub-committee
 - Member, Arbitration Sub-committee
 - Co-chair, Eversheds Sutherland (US) Affiliation of Latinx & Hispanic Attorneys
 - Member, Guatemalan Bar Association

Articles

- Tribunal Split in Guatemala Case: Uncertain Recidivism or Present Breach?(August 16, 2020)
Kluwer Arbitration Blog
- The Collisions of Law and of Fora: Focus on International Dispute Resolution at the 98th Annual International Law Weekend(December 11, 2019)
Kluwer Arbitration Blog

Presentations

- Celebrating National Hispanic Heritage Month: Exploring the value of formal alliances(October 2021)
- Celebrating National Hispanic Heritage Month: Welcoming Allyship(September 2021)
Eversheds Sutherland
- Training on investment arbitration for public officers of a Latin American country(July 2021)
- Arbitration Costs: Myths and Realities(June 9, 2021)
International Chamber of Commerce México
- Third Party Funding in International Arbitration(April 2021)
ILSA Guatemala chapter
- Strategy and Litigation Moot Court (December 2020)
Pontificia Universidad Católica del Peru
- FDI Moot Court, International Rounds(November 2020)
- Using Investment Law to Advance your Clients' Business Objectives(September 2020)
Eversheds Sutherland

- From Agreement to Award: Overview of International Investment Arbitration(July 2020)
- Phillip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition(February 2020)
US Northeast Regional Round
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Legal Alerts

- Overview of the ICSID Fiscal Year 2020 Caseload Report (October 14, 2020)
- The DOJ issues its first FCPA advisory opinion after six years of silence (August 24, 2020)