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#### **PRACTICE AREAS**

- Breach of Contract
- Class Actions
- Climate Change
- Contingency Insurance
- Cyber Risk and Losses
- Engineering and Construction
- General Liability Coverage and Defense
- Insurance
- International Competition
- Pandemic Claims and Litigation
- Professional Liability
- Property Insurance
- Reinsurance

#### **BAR AND COURT ADMISSIONS**

- Minnesota State Bar Association

#### **EDUCATION**

- University of St. Thomas School of Law, J.D., 2014

Hernán represents clients in all aspects of litigation. As a Senior Associate, he advises clients on complex insurance and reinsurance disputes around the world, with a strong focus on complex US liability matters, as well as international property and construction claims in Latin America, Africa and Asia.

Hernán is a bilingual lawyer, fluent in Spanish and English, with a strong international education and background. The focus of his practice is representing London (re)insurers in complex liability disputes in the United States. Hernán routinely advises London-based clients on complex issues such as Climate Change litigation, PFAS, Pollution-Liability, and Personal Injury claims (in legal “hellholes”).

As a natural fit to his background, Hernán also advises international (re)insurers on Latin-America losses. Hernán has acted in matters for (re)insurers in Africa, the Americas, central Asia and Oceania.

Hernán likes to stay at the forefront of developments in the industry and has a strong interest in Cyber, Web3, Insurtech, Blockchain, Parametric Insurance, Decentralized (re)insurance, and protocol/smart contract insurance. Hernán has experience advising clients on data-breach, crypto theft, and ransomware losses.

Hernán received scholarships to attend the prestigious Lester B. Pearson United World College in Canada, Westminster College (US), and the University of St. Thomas School of Law.

#### **REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS**

##### **United States**

Advising reinsurance markets on claims arising out of climate change litigation in the US.

Advising insurance market and settling of construction claim arising out of Hurricane Harvey in Texas

Advising London insurers on several personal injury liability claims in judicial “hellholes”

- Westminster College, B.A.,  
Business Finance & Political  
Science, 2010

Advising (re)insurers and overseeing hundreds of Covid-19 related claims in the United States.

Advising an insurance market on an oilfield flood / well control policy loss in Oklahoma

Advising insurer in a long tail pollution claim (Washington State)

Advising insurer (liaising with reinsurers) on a complex construction loss (Indiana law)

Advising London insurer on series of liability losses in the United States (Georgia, North Carolina law)

Advising insurer in series of losses at large solar construction project in the United States (Nevada law)

Advising London reinsurer on pipeline loss in California (Texas Law)

### **Latin America**

Coverage advice on water damage loss at government building in Puerto Rico involving concurrent causation issues

Acting for a global reinsurance market in an Argentine power loss

Acted for reinsurers in an environmental claim brought by fishermen in connection to oil prospecting activities

Acted for London reinsurance market in large loss at power plant in Guatemala

Advising London reinsurance market in a series of unrelated losses at power stations in Guatemala

Acting for global reinsurance market in recovery action following loss at a power plant in Colombia

Recovery action for Reinsurers following a pipeline loss in Mexico

Acting for a global reinsurance market in a Hurricane Odile property loss

**ARTICLES & PRESENTATIONS**

"Social Inflation and Runaway Judgments," Afternoon with Zelle in London, February 24, 2024, presenter

"After Climate Rulings, Insurers May Go On Coverage Offense," *Law360*, October 13, 2022, co-author

"Clashing Marijuana Laws Create Insurer Anxiety," *Insurance Law360*, January 22, 2018, author

"Clearing up the Smoke: Insurance and Marijuana," *Insurance Law360*, February 3, 2017, co-author

"The Implications of Insureds' Illegal Conduct," *Insurance Law360*, January 17, 2017, co-author

"Argentina's New Leadership and How it Affects Insurance," *Insurance Law360*, September 2, 2016, co-author

"Reservations of Rights Around the World," *Insurance Law360*, April 20, 2016, co-author

**COMMUNITY SERVICE**

Second Harvest