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Julio is a Partner of BLP in the San José office. His specialty practice areas are Banking & Finance, Private Equity & Venture Capital, and Energy & Infrastructure.

Throughout his 18 years of experience, he has advised national and international, and multilateral financial entities in multi-jurisdictional credit operations for the largest energy and infrastructure projects in the region.

He has also advised on local and international capital markets operations that include legal representation in securities issuance transactions, securitizations, regulatory authorizations, initial public offers, and bond issues.

He has also led negotiations of public works concession contracts and their financing. Julio actively participates in the regional assessment of the structuring and financing of public infrastructure projects in land and air transport sectors, and renewable energy.

Before becoming a Partner, he was recognized by the prestigious publication Chambers & Partners as an Associate to Watch. Clients value his extensive legal knowledge and valuable opinions and praise his availability and skill in integrating international teams, which has allowed him to participate in the financial structuring of the largest energy and infrastructure projects in Costa Rica.

He joined the BLP team as an Associate in 2011, after having been a legal advisor to the HSBC Bank. He was also an associate at Feinzag, Scharf & van der Putten, Nassar Abogados, and KPMG. In addition, he interned at the Inter-American Development Bank in the Non-Sovereign Guarantee Section in Washington DC.

PRACTICE AREA

- Private Equity & Venture Capital
- Banking & Finance
- Energy & Infrastructure

RECOGNITIONS

- Cited as an Associate to Watch in Project Finance by Chambers & Partners
- Recognized as LACCA Approved by the in-house lawyers consulted by LACCA

ACCREDITATIONS

Education

- Courses in Financial Derivatives and International Derivative Swaps, International Swaps and Derivatives Association (ISDA).
- Master in Banking and Financial Law, Boston University, 2009.
- Law degree, Universidad Escuela Libre de Derecho, Costa Rica, 2003.

Languages

- Spanish
- English

ASSOCIATIONS AND AFFILIATIONS

- **Costa Rica Bar Association:** Former Member of the Board of Directors.

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