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**Julio** is an Associate at the BLP office in El Salvador. His practice areas include Business Law, Labor & Employment, Global Mobility & Relocation, and Energy & Infrastructure. During his 8 years of experience, he has advised major companies on Business Law matters such as setting up new local entities and branches of foreign companies. His advisory includes regulatory issues with different government agencies, matters of civil and mercantile contracts for companies, mergers and acquisitions, liquidation of companies, and economic concentrations.

He also works on Labor & Employment issues advising on administrative and regulatory matters for companies with a national and international presence. His extensive experience in Global Mobility & Relocation includes obtaining temporary and permanent residences for foreigners, processes to extend tourist visas, permits for minors to leave the national territory, resignation and reacquisition of Salvadoran nationality for Salvadorans who have resigned and wish to reacquire it, and applications for foreigners seeking to become naturalized citizens.

He joined the BLP team in 2016 as a legal assistant and in 2017 was appointed an associate. Previously, he served as a paralegal at Romero Pineda & Asociados for 4 years. Before that, he worked as an auxiliary officer of the Senior Official of the Joint Chiefs of Staff of the Armed Forces, developing due processes for the application of disciplinary administrative measures for the discharge of personnel.

## PRACTICE AREAS

- Business Law
- Labor & Employment
- Global Mobility & Relocation
- Energy & Infrastructure

## ACCREDITATIONS

### Education

- Diploma in "Electricity Market and Regulation in El Salvador", Energy & Infrastructure Analysis Center (EIA Center), El Salvador
- Diploma in "Economic Concentrations in the Competition Law", Universidad Centroamericana José Simeón Cañas, El Salvador, 2016
- Degree in Legal Sciences, Universidad Centroamericana José Simeón Cañas, El Salvador, 2015

### Languages

- Spanish
- English