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Education

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Arnoldo Lacayo focuses his international litigation practice on financial fraud and asset recovery. He has experience litigating complex disputes in both state and federal courts and has represented multi-national corporations, sovereign governments, Receivers, Trustees and other foreign officeholders in matters pending in U.S. Courts. Lacayo also has extensive experience working with the versatile 28 U.S.C. § 1782 statute. Recent published cases in which Lacayo has participated include: *Sallah v. Worldwide Clearing, LLC, et al.*, 2011 WL 5914034 (S.D. Fla. Nov. 28, 2011) (order denying various motions to dismiss fraudulent transfers and unjust enrichment claims by Receiver); *In re Application of Dr. Afonso Henrique Alves Braga*, 272 F.R.D. 621 (S.D. Fla. 2011) (order denying motion to vacate or amend order granting petition for judicial assistance pursuant to 28. U.S.C. § 1782); *Empresa de Telecomunicaciones de Bogota S.A. E.S.P. v. Mercury Telco Group, Inc.*, 670 F. Supp. 2d 1357 (S.D. Fla. 2009) (order confirming and enforcing a multi-million dollar arbitration award in favor of a Colombian telecommunications company); *Mercury Telco Group, Inc., v. Empresa de Telecomunicaciones de Bogota S.A. E.S.P.*, 670 F. Supp. 2d 1350 (S.D. Fla. 2009) (order dismissing lawsuit against Colombian telecommunications company).

In addition to being named a 2009, 2010 and 2011 “Florida Rising Star” by the publication Super Lawyers, Lacayo’s recent speaking engagements include the Forty-Ninth Annual AIJA Congress, *An American Expert in Paris: The Expert Witness on Trial* (Amsterdam, The Netherlands, August 2011); 2011 Cross-Border Asset Tracing and Recovery Conference, *Penetrating Fraudsters’ Ruses and Hiding Spots* (London, United Kingdom, June 2011); Second Annual International Association for Asset Recovery Conference, *Using Equitable Remedies in Asset Recovery Cases* (Las Vegas, Nevada, November 2010); Forty-Eighth Annual AIJA Congress, *Fraud and Insolvency in the Financial Crisis* (Charleston, South Carolina, August 2010); 2010 Offshore Alert Financial Due Diligence Conference, *Pursuing Unique Assets* (Miami Beach, Florida, May 2010); and Forty-Seventh Annual AIJA Congress, *The Real Legal Weapons: Interim Measures in Civil and Criminal Cases* (Budapest, Hungary, August 2009). Lacayo has also contributed to or co-authored various papers and chapters, including the Antigua and Barbuda Chapter in the 2010 Fourth Edition of *Anti-Corruption Regulation*, Co-Author with Edward H. Davis, Jr. and Nicolette M. Doherty and the United States Chapter in *The FraudNet World Compendium on Asset Tracing and Recovery*.

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Lacayo has earned the Certified Specialist in Asset Recovery (CSAR) certification. His other memberships include the American Bar Association and the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners. Lacayo is also an active member of the Florida Bar's International Law Section where he currently serves as a member of its Executive Council and Co-Chair of the International Litigation and Arbitration Committee. Lacayo is also actively involved with the International Association of Young Lawyers' (AIJA) Commercial Fraud Commission.

As a native Spanish speaker, prior to settling in South Florida, Lacayo lived and studied in Latin America. Lacayo is a *cum laude* graduate of the University of Miami School of Law. As the Articles and Comments Editor for the University of Miami Inter-American Law Review, he authored *Seeking a Balance: International Pharmaceutical Patent Protection, Public Health Crises and The Emerging Threat of Bio-Terrorism*, 33 U. Miami Inter-Am. L. Rev. 295 (2002), for which he received the 2003 Burton Award for Legal Achievement, an award presented annually by the Burton Foundation in association with the Library of Congress. He graduated *magna cum laude* from the University of Notre Dame in South Bend, Indiana, where he double majored in Psychology and History. He also completed a Concentration in Latin American Studies while at Notre Dame.

Lacayo is admitted to all Florida state courts, the Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals and the District Courts for the Southern and Middle Districts of Florida.