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Valeria Moreno specializes in commercial and investment arbitration, civil, construction, public and competition law. She has experience in advising national and international clients on strategies for the prevention and management of commercial and investment disputes in different sectors such as energy, TMT, construction, among others. She combines this experience with that acquired as an arbitral assistant, which has given her a 360° vision of the arbitration procedure. Likewise, he has experience in handling judicial proceedings.

Also, prior to joining QA Legal, she has been part of two prestigious Peruvian law firms, in the areas of dispute resolution and corporate and mergers and acquisitions.

Valeria is a teaching assistant of the Contracts course at *Universidad del Pacífico* and before that she was a teaching assistant of the *Acto Jurídico* course at the same university.

Valeria has a bachelor's degree in Law from *Universidad del Pacífico* and obtained the first place in the Faculty of Law in 2021, which earned her the Robert Maes Award. Likewise, Valeria has obtained the Robert Maes Special Award for having had the best academic average of all the 2021-2 graduates. During her six years of study, Valeria ranked in the top ten of her faculty.

Valeria also won the Heller Ledgard Award in 2021 and, for two consecutive years, in 2020 and 2021, she has been on her university's Extracurricular Honor Roll for the Argumentation category.

In 2022, together with the *Universidad del Pacífico* team, Valeria was quarterfinal and earned different prizes y honorable mentions at the Moot Madrid, the most important arbitration moot competition in Spanish, organized by the Universidad Carlos III of Madrid and the UNCITRAL.

In 2021, together with the *Universidad del Pacífico* team, Valeria won the XIV Edition of the International Arbitration Competition, organized by *the Universidad de Buenos Aires* and the *Universidad San Francisco de Quito*. In 2020, she was runner-up of the *E-Moot de Libre Competencia 2020*, organized by the *Universidad del Pacífico* and BFE +.

Education

- Universidad del Pacífico: Bachelor in Law (2022).
- ARBANZA: III International Arbitration Course (2022).

Practice areas

- Domestic and International Commercial Arbitration
- Investment Arbitration
- Civil Law
- Construction Law
- Public Law
- Competition Law

Professional experience

- Associate at QALegal (since February 2022).
- Trainee at Dispute Resolution area of Payet, Rey, Cauvi, Pérez Abogados (November 2020 - December 2021).
- Arbitral assistant of Cecilia O'Neill (August 2019 - November 2020)
- Trainee at Corporate and Mergers & Acquisitions area of CMS Grau (December 2017 - May 2019)

Academic activity

- Teaching assistant of the Contracts course at *Universidad del Pacífico* (currently).
- Coach of the International Commercial Arbitration Moot team of the *Universidad del Pacífico* (currently).
- Quarterfinalist of the XIV edition of the Moot Madrid, organized by the *Universidad Carlos III* of Madrid and the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL).
- Third prize for the most complete team in general rounds, honorable mention for the reply brief, honorable mention for the reaction in extremis - XIV edition of the Moot Madrid.
- Winner of the XIV International Arbitration Competition - MOOT UBA, organized by *Universidad de Buenos Aires* and *Universidad San Francisco de Quito*.
- Runner-up of the E-Moot of *Libre Competencia 2020*, organized by the *Universidad del Pacífico* and BFE +.
- Quarterfinalist of the XIII International Arbitration Competition - MOOT UBA, organized by the *Universidad de Buenos Aires* and the *Universidad San Francisco de Quito*.
- Finalist of the IV Competition of Economic Competition - Moot Mexico 2020, organized by the Mexican Competition Authority.
- Deputy Director (January 2020 - January 2021) and member (September 2019 - January 2020) of the Events Committee of the Forseti Law Review.

Acknowledgments

- **Robert Maes Award.** Annual recognition given to the Universidad del Pacífico student who obtains the first place in his or her faculty.
- **Robert Maes Special Award.** Recognition given to the graduate of the Universidad del Pacífico who obtains the best weighted average of all the years of study.
- **Universidad del Pacífico Extracurricular Honor Roll 2021.**
- **2021 Heller Ledgard Award.** Recognition awarded to the Universidad del Pacífico School of Law student who represents values of solidarity, empathy, teamwork, respect for others, resilience and commitment, in honor of Professor Vanessa Heller Ledgard.
- **Universidad del Pacífico Extracurricular Honor Roll 2020.**
- **Merit Award for placing second in the Faculty of Law of the Universidad del Pacífico (2016-2017).**
- **Runner-up and eighth best speaker nationally in the National Debate Championship (2020).**

Publications

- ***Investment arbitration in Chile, Colombia, Mexico, and Peru: Where are we and where are we going?***
Co-authored article published in Kluwer Arbitration Blog (KAB).
- ***Speed or flexibility?: An economic analysis of extension of deadlines in arbitration.***
Co-authored article published in Themis Law Review No. 77, dedicated to Arbitration.
- ***The withdrawal of 25% of the AFPs: an unconstitutional solution?***
Co-authored article published on the website of Forseti Law Review on April 25, 2020.

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