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KEY PRACTICE AREAS

White Collar & Corporate Crime, Compliance, Sports Law, Private Wealth & Private Clients

Manuel Beccar Varela is a partner at Beccar Varela. He joined the firm in 2012 to develop and lead the White Collar & Corporate Crime department, making Beccar Varela the first full-service law firm in Argentina to integrate this practice.

His practice areas include frauds and swindles, corporate fraud, cybercrimes and piracy, foreign exchange controls, anti-money laundering, criminal tax, social security law, customs, and international trade, environmental law, criminal trademark, antitrust, property crime, extradition, and international criminal law, general criminal law, and criminal procedure law, among others. He has broad expertise in family law/divorces, focusing on property settlement agreements.

Due to his experience as a judicial officer and his specialization in criminal law, he conducts all types of internal investigations in national and multinational companies derived from internal actions of the compliance departments, providing international advice on the scope of anti-corruption regulations such as the FCPA, UK Bribery Act and similar. He advises in criminal procedures to forensic investigation companies to contribute with the appropriate legal framework to the technological findings for later use in Argentine justice.

Manuel obtained his Law degree from Universidad de Belgrano (1994). He obtained his specialization in Criminal Law from the Universidad Austral – School of Law (2002) and his postgraduate diploma in “Compliance and Criminal Law” from Universidad Austral – IAE School (2016). He regularly participates and speaks at conferences on transnational crime and anti-corruption of the IBA, Latin Lawyer and specialized fora in Argentina.

Prior to joining Beccar Varela, he started his career at the Federal Criminal and Correctional Court N°1 in 1988, moving to the Criminal Oral Court N°6 in 1993, until 1996 when he started to work as a criminal lawyer in the private sector. He then headed the criminal law department at SICMA, an insurance group owned by Perez Companc until being appointed as Chief of Cabinet of the Secretary of Judicial Investigations of the Ministry of Justice of Buenos Aires Province (1999-2001). He worked as an associate of various boutique firms dedicated to white-collar law, including Estudio

Vergara & Asociados, until founding the law firm Fernandez Alonso, Beccar Varela & Richards in 1994, which within a short time was recognized among the top five rankings of white-collar law firms.

He is a member of the Buenos Aires Bar Association, the Colegio de Abogados de San Isidro, the Criminal Federal Chamber of San Martin (with nationwide jurisdiction in federal matters), and the International Bar Association (IBA).

Manuel has been recognized by Chambers Latin America, Latin Lawyer 250, The Legal 500, LACCA Approved, Benchmark Latin America, and GIR 100, and included among the most relevant criminal lawyers and one of the best “under 40” lawyers by Revista Apertura (Argentina).

He speaks Spanish and English.