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# THE FIRM

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Since 1952 Estudio Durrieu, is specialized in the professional practice of criminal law, encompassing under that label all the different branches that make up punitive law, and it has developed its activity both nationally and internationally, providing legal counsel to individuals and companies, defendants and plaintiffs.

Estudio Durrieu has an extensive network of affiliates throughout the country and abroad, which enables it to provide comprehensive assistance in the matter. It is worth mentioning that (i) counsel is provided in order to avoid conflictive situations, (ii) the legal right to a defense is exercised in representation of clients and, (iii) in the cases in which the client is the victim of a criminal action, we act on his behalf both in court and out-of court instances.

The experience acquired in the private sector, coupled with the experience gathered by assisting the Government and Non-Governmental Organizations has allowed Estudio Durrieu to develop different kinds of consulting services, as well as handling all types of court criminal cases. Bearing in mind present-day requirements and needs, Estudio Durrieu is capable of providing consulting services in Spanish, English and French.

Taking into consideration our clients requirements we have incorporated a department of corporate investigations, through which we implement directly that important activity, that is carried out by specialists.



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Estudio Durrieu

# OUR PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE

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## **- FRAUD AND ASSET RECOVERY**

Since its foundation Estudio Durrieu represents its clientele, in cases of illegal liquidation of companies assets, or creditors that were unable to collect their assets due to the unlawful liquidation of them. An interesting case is the expansion of capital stock of a company, when there are minority shareholders that haven't complied with the capital subscription plan. Fraudulent administration and the inobservance of granted rights are other type of crimes that we usually try to prevent.

Our lawyers are prepared to provide legal counsel on the recovery of lost assets related to the fraud cases and corruption. For this important activity Estudio Durrieu works altogether with other specialized organizations around the world, in the obstacle of execution of impediments and other precautionary measures.

## **- MONEY LAUNDERING AND CORRUPTION PREVENTION**

The recent passing of laws penalizing money laundering and corruption in the governments and in the private sector have placed Argentina within the group of countries at the forefront of the struggle against this type of crime. The present activitie has taken a relevant role with the creation of state-sponsored organizations such us the Anti-Corruption Office ("Oficina Anticorrupción") and the Financial Information Unit ("Unidad de Información Financiera").

Estudio Durrieu is also in charge of advising its clientele on the process of re-organization in light of the new information demands in the prevention of corruption and money laundering.

## **- INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL LAW AND HUMAN RIGHTS**

The globalization of crime and transnational offences have received a vigorous thrust with the generalization of communications and financial transactions and also with the massive growth of international human rights organizations.



Estudio Durrieu represents and provides counsel to individuals, foreign states, national and international companies in process of extradition, presentations before the Interamerican Court of Justice, International Criminal Court and other world organizations; and in the evaluation of venue for complex cases that may have taken place in various jurisdictions.

For this important task, we have conformed an international networking of specialists Law firms in this matter, called RIEDPE. (Red Iberoamericana de Especialistas en Derecho Penal Económico).

We are also specialized in the organization of aid-programs to promote transparency and corruption control for Governmental agencies, and international organizations such us the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and the World Bank.

#### **- CYBERCRIME AND ANTIPIRACY**

We provide advice and representation to computer companies, ISPs, cable and satellite television companies, when they are victims of computer crimes, such us damages, signal theft, confidential information disclosure, illegal phone tapping, illegal database access, copyright infringement, and piracy among others. Our lawyers, detectives and paralegals are traded to defend trademarks, patents, and copyrights, generating revenue for our clients.

#### **- CORPORATE INVESTIGATIONS**

This is a practice originated in the United States that is highly demanded by large corporations and also by individuals that experience confidential information leaks, deceitful administration, and other crimes committed by unfaithful employees, suppliers, licensees and distributors. Working in conjunction with a team of investigators, Estudio Durrieu is in charge of gathering and classifying evidence and of detecting and preventing conflictive situations that may hinder the normal development of a company's activities. In case the evidence has been gathered and the crime proved, the ensuing legal actions are taken.

Part of the process of gathering the evidence could be the production of Background Searches and the use of technological equipment (i.e. microcamaras and recorders) certified by public notary, respecting the

legal framework in force. Our team lawyers work together with forensic accountants, auditors and specialists in technology frauds.

### **- TAX AND SOCIAL SECURITY CRIMINAL LAW**

In this field Estudio Durrieu has repeatedly represented individuals, national and international corporations before the Economic Criminal Court. Its members have also participated in Conferences and lectures given at corporate organizations, auditing groups and professional associations, where different issues related to this specialty were tackled.



Conference room

### **- ENVIRONMENTAL PENAL LAW**

Criminal law has taken a relevant role in this field, considering new environmental policies implemented by companies and growing awareness of the importance of environmental issues. Estudio Durrieu provides assistance in the implementation of the legal framework, and represents both individuals and companies before the Court. The dispositions set forth by International Treaties, Federal Laws regulating pollution, as well as the "Hazardous Waste Federal Act N° 24.051" and other crimes specified in the Argentine Criminal Code are the subject of conferences and post-graduate courses given by members of Estudio Durrieu.

### **- BANKING AND FINANCIAL CRIMINAL LAW**

Estudio Durrieu has actively participated in the judicial follow-up of many cases arising from the handling of financial and capital markets transactions, including legal advice to individuals and to commercial and investment banks.

Moreover, we represent individuals and companies in the filing of cases before the Central Bank of the Argentine Republic regarding the so called "exchange crimes".

### **- CUSTOMS CRIMINAL LAW**

We provide legal counsel and representation to exporting and importing firms as well as to customs brokers. We also provide our services to

individuals in cases arising from the legal implementation of functions granted by the law to the customs service for exports and imports control, covering both the National and the MERCOSUR area.

Smuggling is the most common crime we try to prevent in this field. False or forged documentation is also a common occurrence, as well as seizure of goods, entering of unauthorized goods or without paying the corresponding tariff, and the commission of customs infractions punishable by fines or by imposing exporting, importing or trading suspensions and restrictions.

### **- CALUMNY AND DEFAMATION**

Crimes against honor have reached a high degree of development. The struggle to harmonize the proper protection of people's honor without violation the constitutional right to "freedom of speech" has induced the development of new doctrines, such as the "real malice" and "protection of journalistic sources".

Criminal liability for this crime deserves a different treatment if the offense was committed through the press media. In this context, it has to be determined whether the news or opinion is in regard to matters of "private" or "public" nature, or "news ascribable to third parties" or, on the contrary, if it is a personal production of the journalist.

### **- ANTITRUST AND COMERCIAL LOYALTY**

The antitrust law N° 25.156 confers abilities to the antitrust commission to carry out truly criminal investigations of the conducts which, regarding the exchange of assets or services, can restrict, adulterate or distort the competency, or might impose a predominant position on a same market, conferring criminal penalty to the transgressors.

On the other hand, Law N° 22.802 of "Comercial Loyalty" try to guarantee the loyalty in the commercial relationships included in the consumers' rights and the ones of the competitors. The summary proceedings that are carried out in the Secretary of Commerce, employ the Criminal Procedural Law as a substituting rule, becoming the appeal court, the National Economic Criminal Board.

In the application of both cases, the general principles of the Criminal Law must be implemented.

## - GENERAL CRIMINAL LAW PRACTICE

Within this definition we include the general activity of Estudio Durrieu regarding criminal issues. We represent both individuals and enterprises in matters related to: (i) crimes against people, for example injuries or death caused by traffic accidents and negligence; (ii) crimes against honor, specially dissemination by the press of calumny and defamation; (iii) crimes against personal liberty, specifically burglary or disclosure of secrets; (iv) crimes against property, for example theft, robbery, extortion, property usurpation and general damages; (v) crimes against public security, like crimes in means of transportation and communication; (vi) crimes against public order, like illicit association, crime instigation and others; (vii) crimes against legal authority: document, seals and marks forgery; (viii) issuance of bad checks and forged balances; (ix) nonfulfillment of family duties; (x) copyright infringement; (xi) criminal responsibility for medical malpractice.



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## ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES

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As an integral part of its professional and academic development, the members of the Firm are also involved in the academic arena, as professors at prestigious universities.

For over 50 years we have provided advice and given conferences and seminars at universities, law associations and chambers that group together the main productive sectors of our country and other public and international private entities. Among the most relevant it is worth mentioning the Argentine Industrial Association (UIA), the Association of Argentine Banks (ABA), Duke Law School Foundation, the Association of Press Employees of Argentina (ADEPA), the International Medical Association, the Argentine Chamber of Commerce, the Professional Council for Economic Sciences, Price Waterhouse Coopers LLP Foundation, La Nación Newspaper Foundation, the Argentine Association of Intellectual Property, United Nations (UN), Ministry of Economy of Argentina, the Ministry of Justice and Human Rights of Argentina and the National Congress.

The most important issues presented at such occasions are those related to criminal law as a whole, among them "Criminal Responsibility of Commercial Enterprises and its Authorities", "Human Rights Defense", "Credit Card Crime Protection", "Malpractice Criminal Responsibility", "Slender and Libel Offences Through the Mass Media", "Exchange Criminal Law", "Offences against Honor and Freedom of the Press", "Tax and Pension Criminal Law", "Swindle and other Types of Fraud", "Money Laundering and Corruption Prevention", "Environmental Crime" and "Computer Crimes in the 21st Century".

## PRO-BONO ACTIVITIES

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Estudio Durrieu is fully committed with society and therefore it actively participates in many community projects, providing legal counsel to non-profit organizations and individuals.

We have also participated in the elaboration process of many bills that have been submitted to provincial and national executive and legislative bodies. Some examples are:

- Draft bill for the Latin American Standard Criminal Code.
- Bill for Credit Card Crime Regulation
- Anti-Corruption Bill nr. 25.188
- Draft Bill for Antitrust Act nr. 22.262
- Convention of Juridical Interaction with the Oriental Republic of Uruguay (Letters Rogatory and Criminal Records General)
- Oral Trial Implementation Act (Act nr. 23.984 and nr. 24.050)
- Making contributions for the treatment of the Criminal Processes Code Reform.
- Reforms to many Criminal Code Titles, included in the general part as well as the crimes themselves.

## OUR PROFESSIONALS

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Estudio Durrieu's Professionals build a direct relationship with their clients, providing them with constant and updated information about the status of their affairs in order to come up with quick solutions or, if such is the case, to prevent criminal responsibilities.

The members of Estudio Durrieu have a high professional level that enables them to offer practical and economical solutions to its clients, that may also be creative, if necessary. Personalized follow-up of the cases is conducted in a fast manner, confidentially.

We also have an internal training system that keeps our lawyers constantly updated regarding any new issues appearing in the criminal and economic criminal field and in the business environment.

# M EMBERS OF THE FIRM

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## FOUNDING PARTNER

### (+) ROBERTO A. DURRIEU (1908-1992)

He founded the firm in 1952 in conjunction with Dr. Carlos Podestá. It was then called “Estudio Durrieu-Podestá”. He was a Judge in the Federal Courts, Judge of Criminal Appeals Court, Alternate Judge of the Supreme Court of Justice of Argentina in three different occasions and member of the Ethics Tribunal of Lawyers, appointed by the Supreme Court of Justice of Argentina.

In the academic arena he was the Dean of the University of Buenos Aires School of Law in two periods and Criminal Law Professor of Law. He published many investigations related to criminal law and criminal procedure law.



## SENIOR PARTNER

### ROBERTO DURRIEU

He born in the city of Buenos Aires on February 20th, 1940. He attended the School of Law and Social Sciences of the University of Buenos Aires. He graduated in 1967.

**Academic Activity:** in 1967 he entered in the academic career at the University of Buenos Aires School of Law (UBA). He held many positions in the Criminal Law chair until he was appointed as Honorary Professor of Criminal Law of the University of Buenos Aires in 1982. Also at the same university he held the position of Member of the Academic Council (1965-1966), Academic Secretary (1981-1982) and Member of the Advisory Board (1982-1983).

In 1967 he traveled to the United States through a USA State Department Scholarship in order to study the political and judicial system.

He was Honorary professor of Criminal Law II of the Austral University School of Law (1996-1998). Since 1992 he is Honorary Professor of the Criminal Law II Subject of the Argentina Catholic University School of Law. His activity in post-graduate courses is varied and extensive, and he is presently a professor of the master and Phd in Economic Criminal Law

at the Argentine Catholic University School of Law. He is also a professor of the "Master in Criminal Law" at Austral University.

He was designated Doctor "Honoris Causae" of the Catholic University of Salta in September, 2004.

He has given many conferences, courses and seminars encompassing a wide variety of criminal issues, such as corporate crime, tax criminal law, environmental criminal law and money laundering crime prevention at different national and international institutions.

**Author** of many papers published by specialized magazines and newspapers such as "La Ley", "El Derecho", "La Nación" and "La Prensa". It is worth mentioning the following: "Credit Card Crime Questions", Editorial Abeledo-Perrot, 1998; "Comments regarding Section 16 of the Tax and Pension Criminal Act N° 23.771"; Buenos Aires Bar Association Law Report, T° 33, 1993; Criminal section of the book "Credit Card" by Julio Simón, 1989; "Criminal Law, freedom and values", La Ley, 2001, "Computer Crimes", La Ley, 2002, "New Offenses in the Tributary Criminal Law", La Ley, 2004.

**Award** the Buenos Aires Rotary Club awarded him with "the Silver Laurel to the personality of the year", in his character of attorney in law, on June 30 th, 2004.

**Work experience:** He held a number of positions in the public administration, such as: Federal Prosecution Office of Administrative Investigations (1958-1961); Lawyer of the National Treasury Prosecution Office (1967-1971); Lawyer of the Under-secretariat of Legislative Affairs of Ministry of Justice (1971-1974), Criminal Judicial Advisor for the Chief of the Federal Police (1970-1972); General Attorney of the Province of Buenos Aires (1976-1978), Vice-Minister of Justice of Argentina (1978-1981).

He is currently the Senior Partner of "Estudio Durrieu", specialized in all matters related with the criminal law - criminal economic law practice, representing individuals, companies, non-government organizations and national and international states.

**Advisor and member of national and international organizations:** throughout his professional career he was a member of the advisory board in criminal and economic criminal matters of national and international organizations, he was awarded foreign scholarships and he represented Argentina at different international conventions. Among the most relevant positions it is worth mentioning the following:

**President** of the Argentine Delegation on the United Nations

Convention for "Delinquency Treatment and Crime Prevention" (Caracas, 1980) and Vice president of the Convention; Criminal Juridical Advisor of the Argentine Delegation before the United Nations Summit for the Reform of the Joint Convention of Stupefacients (Geneva, 1982); **President** of the Argentine Commission for the drafting of the juridical integration conventions with the Oriental Republic of Uruguay, consisting in international criminal law issues; **President** of the Criminal Law Commission of the Buenos Aires Bar Association (1991-1994), **Member** of the Drafting Commission for the Latin American Standard Criminal Code, Member of the Board of **Director** of the Buenos Aires Bar Association (1994-1997); Advisor in criminal issues of the House of Representatives (1997-present day); **President** and **Founding Partner** of the Society of Criminal Lawyers of Buenos Aires, **Advisor** of the Plastic Surgery Association (1990-present day), member of the Board of Director-Argentine Branch of the International Law Association; **Advisor** of the Ministry of Economy of Argentina for the legislative reform of Capital Markets; **Member** of the Advisory Committee of the Argentine Chamber of Commerce; **President** of the Buenos Bar Association (2002-present day).

He has been designated as Official Defense Counsel before the International Criminal Court representing Argentina (2004 - present).  
Altenate Judge of the Highest National Chamber of Criminal Courts (2004 - present). Co - Judge of the National Criminal chamber of Appeal and Co - Judge of the Appeal Federal chamber of La Plata.



PARTNER

### **HERNÁN MUNILLA LACASA**

He was born in the city of Buenos Aires on January 6th, 1963. He graduated as a lawyer from the Argentine Social Museum University School of Law on September 24th, 1986. In 1999 he undertook a postgraduate course in Criminal Law organized by Argentine Catholic University, School of Law.

**Academic Activity:** In 1987 he was nominated as a professor in the Buenos Aires University of Law in Criminal Law II. In 1990 he started his academic activity at Argentina Catholic University School of Law and in 1999 he was appointed Associate Professor of the Criminal Law II chair.

He was the secretary of the Criminal Law Commission of the Buenos Aires Bar Association, and he is presently its Vice-President.

He is a voting member or the Irregularity Following Office of the Buenos

Aires' Bar Association. He participated in the Publications Commission in the same entity.

He is a member of the Buenos Aires Criminal Law Association. He has been designated by the Bar Commission of Buenos Aires to take over the position of coordinator of the Technical Corporation Agreement for the Judicial Reform, in the work team who will develop the matter "The Federal Criminal legal procedure system reform" in July of 2004. He has also been designated by the National Chamber of Criminal Repeal as Associate Judge of the Criminal Execution Courts.

**Author:** of many specialized papers, published by magazines and newspapers, for example: "The deprivation of communication and the confession, under the light of the new Criminal Trial Code", La Ley, 1991. "An inefficient defense: does it violate the right of a properly defense?" , La Ley, 1992; "Criminal Trial Reform", Buenos Aires Bar Association Law Report, T. 52, 1992, "The teaching of ethics at Schools of Law", La Ley, 1995, "An atypical case of tentative ineptitude?", La Ley, 1996, "When the secrecy of the proceedings conspires against the legal right to a defense", La Ley, 1997; "The situation of the defendant", Prudencia Iuris Magazine, 2000, "The Criminal Lawyer's Ethics", Editorial Ad-Hoc, 2001. "The lawyer cannot be obliged to show testimonial statement if he decides to keep it under professional secret", in L.L. of 2/6/04; "The sexual chastity, without criminal protection", in the Buenos Aires' Bar Association magazine, year 2004.

**Award** "Sebastián Soler" winner for the best research work about "Ethic of a criminal Lawyer" granted by the Buenos Aires Criminal Law Association, December 1998.

**Work experience:** between 1986 and 1990 he held the position of Secretary General at the National Criminal Court Letters "D", "T" and "A" and Secretary of the Judge on the Criminal Court Nr. 2 of the City of Bariloche. He was an advisor for the House of Representatives of Argentina for issues regarding criminal law (1990-1992).

He started practicing criminal law in the private field since March 1990 up to the present date, and he has been a partner of Estudio Durrieu since March 1992.

He has developed a comprehensive experience in the fields of economic, tax and customs law, as well as in certain aspects of environmental criminal law. Among other tasks, he provides counsel to various national and international banking institutions which have been the victims of frauds.



PARTNER

**ROBERTO DURRIEU (jr.)**

He was born in the city of Buenos Aires on July 31st, 1974. He graduated as a lawyer from the Argentine Catholic University School of Law in 1997. He finished his Master Degree Course in Law (LL.M) at Duke University School of Law, North Carolina. He carried out a master in Criminal Law in the Austral University, Argentina (2002/3).

**Academic Activity:** He wrote an outnumber of articles in national and international publications such as: “Criminal Protection of the Author’s rights” La Ley, 2002; “Argentina’s New Anti-Money Laundering Law”, International Enforcement Law Report, 2003; “The lawyer and the Money Laundering” La Ley, 2004 and Colegio Público de Abogados de Capital Federal magazine, N°43, may- June 2005; “Legal Framework against Yerrorism”, La Ley, 2006.

**Books:** “Penal Code 2004”, Transnational Publishers, New York, 2004, “Money Laundering in Argentina”, Lexis Nexis, 2006.

**Work experience:** From 1995 until 1998 he was a law clerk at Estudio Durrieu and at the Criminal National Court Nr. 8.

In 1999 he entered Estudio Beccar Varela as a lawyer where he carried out different tasks regarding commercial general practice and economic criminal law. Between 2001 and 2002 he was hired as a foreign associate of the “White Collar Crime” department at Holland & Knight Law Firm in the Miami Office.

Since the year 2002 he has been a partner at Estudio Durrieu, carrying out tasks related to Money Laundering prevention, corporate investigations, International Criminal Law, exchange criminal law, piracy, frauds and general criminal law practice among others.



PARTNER

**JUSTO LO PRETE**

He was born in Buenos Aires on November 24th , 1967. He graduated as a lawyer at the Argentine Catholic University School of Law on September 24th, 1993. In 1998 he took a pos-graduate course at the University of Belgrano, receiving the degree of “Lawyer specialized in Criminal Law”

**Academic Activity:** He took part in many specialization courses, among others: "Oral trial training program" at the Law School of Buenos Aires

(1997), "Practical Business Crime Course", at the Law School of Buenos Aires (1998) and "Criminal Law Post-Graduate Course" at the Argentine Catholic University (1999).

**Work experience:** in 1992 he entered Estudio Durrieu as an intern, and he was later hired as an associate lawyer in 1993. Since 2002 he is partner of the law firm.

He has specialized in general criminal law practices, computer crime, antipiracy and economic criminal law. He has represented mobile telephone companies, cable and satellite TV companies and Internet companies in issues related to his specialization. He also took part in the defense of financial institutions in criminal exchange proceedings before the Central Bank of the Argentine Republic.

PARTNER

### **RAMIRO SALABER**

He was born in Buenos Aires on October 20th, 1969. He graduated as a lawyer from the Argentine Catholic University School of Law in 1994.

**Academic Activity:** He was a chair assistant in Criminal Law II at the Austral University (1997-1998). He has been a member of the Criminal Law II department in the Argentine Catholic University School of Law since 2004.

He participated in many courses and events related to his specialization, for example the "First Event about Incarceration Issues and Rights" organized by the University of Buenos Aires, (1995); "Criminal Policy and Compared Criminal Law" at the Argentine Catholic University (1995) and "Practical Business Courses" at the Law School (1998), and "Seminar on Money Laundering", at the Argentine Catholic University (2003). "Criminal Tributary Law courses" in the Argentine Catholic University of Law (2003)

He wrote diverse articles regarding Criminal speciality.

**Work experience:** he started his professional activity at the National Criminal Court Nr. 23 of Buenos Aires (1994-1996).

In 1996 he enters Estudio Durrieu, thus acquiring great experience in the economic criminal law, Tributary criminal law, exchange proceedings handled to the Argentine Central Bank, defamation and offenses proceedings, handling of traffic accidents, and general practice of criminal law, representing individuals and national and international companies in high-complexity criminal cases.





PARTNER

**GUILLERMO ARIAS**

He was born in the Province of Salta on June 21st, 1971. He graduated as a lawyer from the University of Buenos Aires in 1996.

**Academic Activity:** He has been a member of the Criminal Law II department in the Argentine Catholic University of Law since 2004. He took part in many events, for example: "Reform to the National Criminal Trial Code", "Administration of Justice", "The crime of fraud", "Business Criminal Law" and "Tax Criminal Law Practical Course", seminars of money laundering and seminars on updating on Criminal Economic Law.

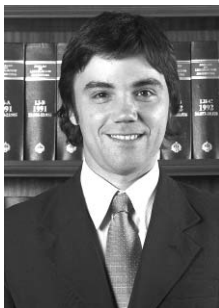
He wrote diverse articles regarding Criminal Law.

**Work experience:** since 1990 until 1995 he was a member of the Criminal Court Nr. 6. In 1995 he was appointed Sub-Secretary of the same Court, of which he retired in 1997.

In 1997 he entered Estudio Durrieu as an associate. Since the year 2002 he has been working as a partner performing an intense activity in the corporate criminal law field, providing counsel to many individuals, airlines, railroad companies, armored money carriers, the pharmaceutical industry and insurance companies in issues related to criminal law.

He has also represented foreign States in extradition processes filed before national courts.

In December 2002 he entered Estudio Durrieu as an Associate.



ASSOCIATE

**JUAN MARTÍN LOPEZ QUESADA**

He was born in the city of Buenos Aires on July 27th, 1974. He graduated as a lawyer from the University of Buenos Aires School of Law in 2000.

**Academic Activity:** During the years 2003 and 2004 he attended a post-graduate course of Specialization in Criminal Law at the Argentine Catholic University. He participated in different seminars and conventions related to the diverse matters of Economic Criminal Law and Tributary Criminal Law such as, "Money Laundering Seminary" (2003) in the Argentine Catholic University (2003) and "Tributary Criminal Law Conventions" (2003) in the Argentine Catholic University.

**Work experience:** During the years 1998/2001 he worked as a law clerk in this law firm carrying out different tasks of procuration and analysis of files. Since 2001 he is an associate lawyer of Estudio Durrieu.

ASSOCIATE  
**DIEGO SEITÚN**

He was born in the City of Buenos Aires on November 28th, 1976. He graduated as a lawyer from the Argentine Catholic University School of Law in the year 2000. He attended a post-graduate course in Criminal Law at the Austral University and a Ph.D in Criminal Law and Criminal Science at the Pompeu Fabra University of Barcelona, Spain.

**Author of:** “The Temporary Indeterminacy of the Treatment for the Mentally Disordered Offenders and the Principle of Proportionality”, in Contemporary Criminal Science, Journal of Criminal Law, Criminal Justice and Criminology, T. 7/8- 2004, 2005 edition.

**Work experience:** From 1995 to 1998 he worked as a trainee at R.E. Seitún Law Firm. He started working at the Judicial Department of the Jurisdiction of San Isidro where he was a member of Public Defense Counsel N° 3(1998-2000), Subsecretary at the same office (2000-2003), Secretary General at the Office of Public Counsel for the Defense; Punishment Enforcement Area (interim 2003-2004, effective since October 2004); Secretary of First Instance at the Public Ministry, Public Defense Counsel (April- October 2004). During the year 2004 he also worked as a law teacher at San Juan el Precursor School. In December 2005 he joined “Estudio Durrieu” as an associate.

**Languages:** spanish and english



ASSOCIATE  
**ALEJANDRO BECERRA**

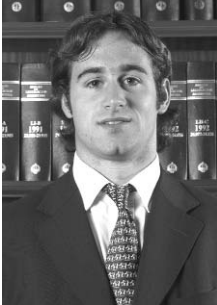
He was born in the city of Buenos Aires on September 19th, 1978. He graduated as a lawyer from the Argentine Catholic University of Law and he is presently attending a Master Degree in Criminal Law at the same University.

He started working at the National Criminal Instruction Courthouse n° 8, Secretary n° 205, where he held the position of Clerk of the Court. He was interim Sub-Secretary at the National Criminal Instruction



Courthouse n° 27, Secretary n° 124. From January to May 2005 he held the position of Interim Sub-Secretary and Ad-Hoc Secretary at the National Criminal Courthouse n° 1 Secretary n° 105. He is presently an associate lawyer at “Estudio Durrieu Abogados”

**Languages:** spanish and english



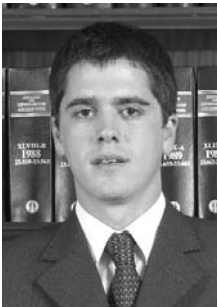
ASSOCIATE

**FEDERICO de ACHÁVAL**

He was born in the city of Buenos Aires on August, 26th 1980. In October 2004 he graduated as a lawyer in the Argentine Catholic University School of Law.

During 2000 and 2001 he worked in Estudio Arauz, Castex, Bargallo Beade, Sanchez Claria, García & Punte where he developed matters regarding prosecution files. In January of 2002 he entered the Estudio Durrieu, and was incorporated as an associate lawyer since October 2004.

**Languages:** spanish and english



ASSOCIATE

**PATRICIO LANUSSE**

He was born in Buenos Aires on February 20th, 1980.

In December of 2004 he graduated as a lawyer in the Argentine Catholic University.

During the years 2001 and 2002 he worked in the National Criminal Instruction Courthouse N°44. In August 2002, he started working in Beccar Varela's Law firm, in the area of Administrative and Tributary Law until March 2003.

Actually he is working as a lawyer in duties related with penal law and economic penal law in Estudio Durrieu Abogados.

**Languages:** spanish and english

ASSOCIATE

**ANDRÉS O'FARRELL**

He was born in the City of Buenos Aires on May 20th, 1982. He is a law student at the Austral University.

He participated in several seminars related to Criminal Law, such as "Organized crime and legal response", "Relevance of the victims conduct in Criminal Law", organized by the Austral University, and "Universal jurisdiction for crimes against International Law".

He entered the Estudio Durrieu Abogados in March 2003, where he carries out tasks related to Criminal Law and Criminal Economic Law.

**Languages:** spanish, english and french.



ASSOCIATE

**FEDERICO BECERRA**

He was born in the city of Buenos Aires on December 16th., 1980. He graduated as a lawyer from the Argentine Catholic University of Law on August 11th., 2005.

**Work Experience:** He started working as Clerk of the Court at the National Criminal Instruction Courthouse nº 15, Secretary nº 146, and then continued his judicial career until his appointment as Officer at the National Criminal Instruction Courthouse nº 27, Secretary nº 124. He is presently an associate lawyer at "Estudio Durrieu Abogados".

**Languages:** spanish and english



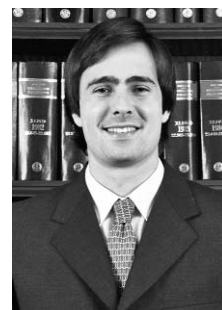
TRAINEE

**NICOLÁS DURRIEU**

He was born in the city of Buenos Aires on October 27th, 1981. He is a law student at the Argentine Catholic University of Law, in which he is attending the last year of the career.

During the year 2003 he worked in the National Criminal Instruction Courthouse N°8, Secretary N° 125. Actually he is working at Estudio Durrieu as a prosecutor.

**Languages:** spanish, english and french.





TRAINEE

**MERCEDES DURAÑONA**

She was born in the city of Buenos Aires on June 3rd, 1983. She is presently a law student at the University of Buenos Aires.

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