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PRACTICES

Corporate

Real Estate, Hospitality & Finance

BAR ADMISSIONS

- Commonwealth of Puerto Rico

EDUCATION

B.S., University of Puerto Rico, Ponce Campus

- Major: Computer Information Systems

J.D., Pontifical Catholic University of Puerto Rico School of Law

L.L.M., Boston University School of Law

- Major: Banking and Financial Law

His primary practice areas include corporate, real estate, government affairs, banking, and financial law.

Before joining McV, he provided legal counsel for Puerto Rico's General Services Administration, focusing on various legal matters such as drafting regulations, managing complex contracts, ensuring efficiency of procurement procedures, and other government affairs.

While working on his LLM degree at Boston University School of Law he was employed by the Green Finance Group at MassDevelopment where he co-administered the Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) Massachusetts program, working with municipalities, property owners, capital providers, and the Massachusetts Department of Energy on project finance. He also advised the organization in strategies and operational nuances, providing various analyses of regulations interfacing with PACE, encompassing municipal regulations, Massachusetts tax laws, foreclosures, and property laws.

From 2019 to 2021, during the COVID pandemic and while pursuing his JD, he assumed the role of Director of Student Ombudsman Services at the University of Puerto Rico, Ponce Campus, navigating the pandemic's challenges and striving to preserve essential student services. He ensured that resources were procured, and policies transitioned to support students' continued studies under unprecedented circumstances. He addressed student claims related to discrimination, academic grievances, and administrative disputes while ensuring compliance with Title IX, ADA, and other relevant federal and state educational regulations.

In 2020, Mr. Soto-Fortuño co-founded a Limited Liability Company focused on real estate and development. He took on a pivotal role in analyzing, strategically planning and managing the company's inaugural project, which achieved a remarkable 35% return on investment.

Before attending law school, Mr. Soto-Fortuño distinguished himself as an influential student representative at the University of Puerto Rico, Ponce Campus. His significant contributions and leadership led to his election as a member of the University of Puerto Rico's central Governing Board. While serving on the board he advocated for the rights of pregnant students, contributed to the schools' strategic planning and scholarship programs, and enhanced student participation in university decision-making processes and other general governing matters.