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Daniel Rios Zertuche is special counsel in the New York office of Milbank LLP and a member of the firm's Global Project, Energy and Infrastructure Finance Group.

Primary Focus & Experience

Mr. Rios Zertuche's practice focuses on advising project sponsors and lenders in international project financings. His recent experience includes the representation of:

- A syndicate of lenders in connection with the \$1 billion financing of Oasis de Atacama in Chile. The world's largest energy storage project, Oasis de Atacama comprises three solar PV power plants totalizing 720 MW and a battery storage system with a capacity of up to 1.1 GWh.
- The Senior Creditors, Equity Bridge Loan Lenders, Administrative Agent, Offshore Collateral Agent and Intercreditor Agent in connection with the US\$1.183 billion financing of the acquisition and development of two 144 km long seawater impulsion systems for the transportation of 1900 L/s of seawater from the Mejillones Port to Minera Centinela's copper mining site in the Antofagasta Province in Chile;
- Aguas Pacifico SpA in connection with a Term Loan and DSR Letter of Credit facility to finance the development, construction, operation and maintenance of a not less than 1,000 l/s multipurpose desalination plant to supply desalinated water, located in Valparaiso Region, Chile, including maritime works and a twenty-eight (28) km aqueduct;
- Acueducto San Isidro Quilapilún SpA in connection with a Term Loan and DSR Letter of Credit facility to finance the development, construction, operation and maintenance of a 78-kilometer water pipeline, for the transportation of up to 1,000 l/s of treated and/or desalinated water from San Isidro to Las Tórtolas in Central Chile;
- A syndicate of commercial banks, including Barclays, BBVA Mexico, Santander Mexico, and SMBC, and Mexican development banks NAFIN and Bancomext in connection with the acquisition financing of 12 Mexican power plants and the 103 MW La Venta III wind park from Spanish energy group Iberdrola for approximately US\$6 billion (MXN102.34 billion) by an acquisition trust managed by Mexico Infrastructure Partners FF;

- The Lenders in connection with a series of financings in connection with and for Brookfield's acquisition of Duke Energy Renewables;
- Proman AG in connection with the construction, start-up and operation and maintenance of an anhydrous ammonia plant with a daily capacity of 2,200 metric tons to be constructed on the Project Site in Topolobampo, State of Sinaloa, Mexico, and its related infrastructure; and
- The initial purchasers and lenders in a bank/bond financing by EnfraGen Energía Sur, S.A.U., Prime Energía SpA, and EnfraGen Spain, S.A.U., valued at \$1.76 billion.

Recognition & Accomplishments

Mr. Rios Zertuche is a native Spanish speaker. He was the recipient of the William Michael Treanor Scholarship, and received his LL.M., *cum laude*, from Fordham University School of Law and his law degree from Universidad Iberoamericana Ciudad de México.

ADDITIONAL DETAILS

EDUCATION

Fordham University School of Law, LL.M.

Universidad Iberoamericana, Diploma in Law

ADMISSIONS

New York

EXPERIENCE

Project, Energy and Infrastructure Finance

Latin America Project Finance

United States

FEATURED NEWS

Milbank Advises on \$1B Financing of Oasis de Atacama, World's Largest Storage Project

Milbank Announces 2025 Special Counsel

Milbank Advises Global Coordinators and Joint Bookrunners on Landmark 17-Year US\$1.49B Rule 144A/Regulation S Secured Notes Offering by Fideicomiso de Inversión en Energía México (FIEMEX)

Milbank Advises on Innovative \$1.5B Financing for Acquisition and Construction of Seawater Pipeline Assets to Supply Minera Centinela

Milbank Advises Lender Group on Historic \$6B Acquisition Financing of 13 Mexican Power Plants

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