

### **Armando V. Arballo**

### **Associate**

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### **OVERVIEW**

Armando Arballo is an associate in the firm's Los Angeles office. Armando's practice centers on complex dispute resolution, with a focus on construction litigation and restructuring and insolvency matters.

He has experience in matters involving construction, oil & gas, employment and complex commercial litigation. Armando has participated in many components of civil litigation and commercial arbitration, including authoring pleadings and motions, drafting and reviewing discovery requests, and facilitating settlement negotiations.

### PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Armando served as a summer associate at K&L Gates in 2017 and previously worked on the firm's Dubai office. Prior to joining the firm, he served as a law clerk for the Riverside County District Attorney's Office and as a law clerk for Senator Richard J. Durbin on the U.S. Senate Committee on the Judiciary. Armando has also represented clients before the District of Columbia Superior Court and before the District of Columbia Office of Administrative Hearings.

### PROFESSIONAL / CIVIC ACTIVITIES

- American Bar Association
- Global Pro Bono Bar Association

### **SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS**

National Security & Autonomous Weapons, Georgetown University Law Center October 2017, Panelist

### ADDITIONAL BACKGROUND

Armando studied Comparative Law and International Bankruptcy at the University of International Business and Economics in Beijing, China.

## **K&L GATES**

Armando was a member of the Georgetown Law Center Barrister's Council and participated in the American Bar Association's Annual Negotiation Competition. Armando was also the winner of the 2017 Georgetown Law Center Bellamy Negotiation Competition.

Armando is also committed to public service, and is actively involved in pro bono matters. He has represented tenants in landlord-tenant disputes and has advocated for the rights of immigrants and victims of human trafficking.

### **EDUCATION**

- J.D., Georgetown University Law Center, 2018 (Staff Editor, Georgetown Entertainment & Media Alliance Law Review)
- B.A., University of California, Riverside, 2012

### **ADMISSIONS**

- Bar of California
- United States District Court for the Central District of California
- United States District Court for the Eastern District of California
- United States District Court for the Northern District of California
- United States District Court for the Southern District of California

### OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- "Regulation of Upstream Oil and Gas in the United Arab Emirates," Lexis Middle East, 19 February 2020
- "Regulation of Downstream Oil and Gas in the United Arab Emirates," Lexis Middle East, 19 February 2020
- "Regulation of Midstream Oil and Gas in the United Arab Emirates," Lexis Middle East, 19 February 2020
- "UAE Oil & Gas Q&A," Lexis Middle East Law Alert, December 2018

### **AREAS OF FOCUS**

- Complex Commercial Litigation and Disputes
- Restructuring and Insolvency

### REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

Advised a UAE distributor on the enforcement of a UAE judgement in U.S. Courts under the Uniform Foreign Money Judgements Recognition Act.

# **K&L GATES**

- Represented an international manufacturing company in ICC arbitration in connection with a construction dispute concerning a major public infrastructure project in Saudi Arabia.
- Represented the owner of the largest refinery in Libya in connection with disputes with its crude oil supplier and breaches of a Feedstock Supply Agreement, including in ICC arbitration.