



Meet the Interns

From Arias, Costa Rica

Valeria Grant, Intellectual Property

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Valeria joined the firm's Intellectual Property department as an Associate. Her practice focuses on Patent Registration procedures, with comprehensive support throughout the entire application process and grant, and subsequent events, such as renewals and transfers. She is highly motivated by innovation and new technologies. Her technical expertise due to her scientific background contributes highly to her role as a strategic partner for the client toward the protection of intangible goods, especially in biotechnology and pharmacy.

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Sebastián Solano, Corporate Commercial

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Sebastián joined Arias in 2018 as an Associate Attorney of the Departments of Corporate, Notarial, and Registry Law departments. He has held the position of in-plant attorney on Arias' behalf in a transnational pharmaceutical company, attending to legal matters in Central America and the Caribbean. Currently, he advises and provides legal support on corporate, commercial, notarial, and registry matters to national and foreign companies daily, and in specific transactions. Sebastián also provides pro bono legal advice and support to various nonprofit associations.

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Ciara O'Sullivan - Commercial, Litigation, Construction

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Ciara has previous experience working in the Commercial; Commercial Litigation, Public Regulatory & Investigations, and Construction Litigation departments. Her next department rotation is Financial Services.

Ciara holds a BCL, Law with History degree from University College Dublin, where she graduated in 2017. She is a student member of the Law Society of Ireland and has recently completed her final admitting examinations.

Ciara's interests include sports; she recently completed a half marathon and also recently completed the Camino to Santiago de Compostela, which began in the city of Porto, Portugal. Other interests include playing the piano and reading, with a particular interest in 20th Century Irish history.

From Mason Hayes & Curran, Ireland
Nessa McHugh - Corporate

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Nessa is an associate in the corporate department. Her experience to date includes advising both Irish and multinational companies on mergers and acquisitions and investments in the energy, health, and tech sectors. She also advises clients on other corporate matters such as shareholder arrangements and compliance with company law.

Nessa's interests include hiking, tennis, and trying out new restaurants.

From MinterEllison, Australia
Emily Miers - Infrastructure & Construction

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Emily is an Associate in the Sydney Projects, Infrastructure and Construction team. She has experience in disputes and litigation aspects of construction projects which extends to government and private clients. Most recently, she acted for the builder of a large residential apartment complex in the first construction class action in the Supreme Court of New South Wales (NSW). Before joining MinterEllison in 2017, she worked in Lendlease's Engineering Legal Team in Sydney. Emily balances her professional interests and matters with a passion for open water swimming. In 2019, she successfully swam the English Channel from England to France solo.

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Samantha Currie - M&A, Technology

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Samantha has broad corporate experience in mergers and acquisitions and private equity transactions. She has a recent focus on private technology services and infrastructure acquisitions and divestments, and advising on inbound investments for overseas clients. In addition to transactional work, she advises clients on corporate governance and company secretarial matters, corporate restructuring, ASX Listing Rules, and general corporate matters.

Her technical experience ranges from drafting and negotiating share sales; unit sale and asset sale agreements; unitholders' and shareholders' agreements; subscription deeds, transitional services agreements, license deeds, and coordinating due diligence; and completion work streams of small to large M&A transactions. In her personal time, she enjoys reading, hiking, traveling (COVID permitting), and catching up on the latest Netflix craze.

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Faride Hage - Intellectual Property

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With more than three years of professional experience, Faride focuses on intellectual property matters. She advises multinational companies in the retail, hospitality, beauty, health, and other industries, confronting the effects of intellectual property legislation in terms of trademarks and copyrights. She has recently advised many relevant companies in the country in redefining their business strategies considering the challenges of the reform of the Federal Law for the Protection of Industrial Property of 2020.

From Santamarina y Steta, Mexico
Lisa Carral - Banking & Finance, Corporate, M&A

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With more than five years of professional experience, Lisa specializes in banking and finance, corporate, family offices and succession planning, M&A, and joint ventures. Lisa provides legal advice on the constitution of Mexican companies, contracts, and corporate governance documents. She participates in asset and stock purchase processes for various local and international clients. She advises international clients in negotiating and implementing financing options and credits in Mexico. Lisa also has experience in the legal structuring of estates for their orderly succession.

From Sołtysiński Kawecki & Szlęzak, Poland
Karolina Gotfryd - Tax & Private Clients

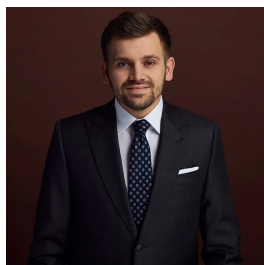
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Karolina joined the SK&S team in 2018. Before joining the firm, she gained experience in tax teams at international law firms in Warsaw and London. She specializes in tax and enforcement proceedings before tax authorities and administrative courts, and in tax and legal consultancy related to M&A transactions, including restructuring and international tax structuring. Karolina is a member of the International Fiscal Association.

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Michał specializes in commercial and civil law. He is experienced in M&A transactions, restructuring projects, corporate disputes, and company mergers, divisions, and transformations. Michał gained experience at Polish and international law firms before joining SK&S in 2016.