

## SPORTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

+ 5 000 Favorable + 1 000 Satisfied + 40 Legal Legal Proceedings Clients Professionals

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VILA is a leading firm in Mexico, formed by a team of professionals with a special focus on business generation and added value.

Our professional trajectory has been recognized by our clients, some of them part of the Fortune 500, the Nasdaq index, Bloomberg, among others, and we have also been recognized by various global publications such as Chambers & Partners, IAM Patent 1000, Benchmark Litigation, Latin Lawyer, Best Lawyer, Managing IP Handbook and Corporate INTL.

For VILA, favorable results for the benefit of the client is the best recognition of our work. Therefore, we carefully analyze the cases from their legal nature and the implications in the environments, for which we offer integral solutions that adapt to their needs and the specific case of action.



# AT THE FOREFRONT OF OUR SPECIALTIES

VILA is distinguished by our commitment and institutional loyalty in favor of our clients, our untiring search for excellence and innovation, as well as for always being at the forefront of knowledge in the areas of our specialties.

Our Firm is the result of preparation, training processes, collective effort, synergies, passion and creation of solid foundations that seek success, satisfaction and favorable results for our clients.

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A VILA' member work "...is impressive [having] a very international approach to his business".

Chambers and Partners.



# I. SERVICE AREAS

### **Entertainment law**

Application of commercial contracts, employment contracts and the principles of intellectual property law.

### **Protection**

Worldwide Brand and Property level.

### **Marketing and Distribution**

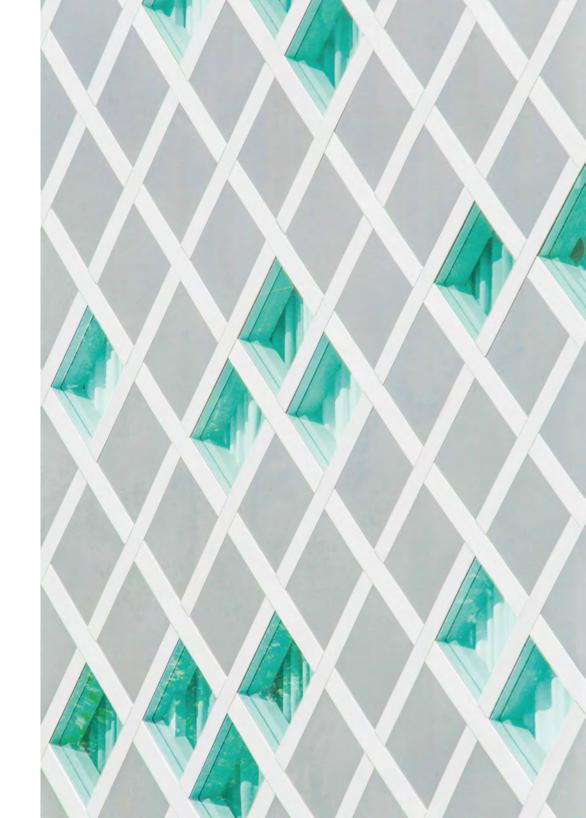
Protecting client investments, confidence and revenue.

### Legal strategies against counterfeiting

Protection of tangible and intangible assets.

### Litigation and dispute resolution

Litigation before administrative bodies, monitoring of third party applications for opposition and legal settlements, mediation and arbitration.



# II. RELEVANT CASES

The representation in all the agreements, negotiations, sponsorship, brand protection, licensing business and other commercial activities of one of the most important figures in boxing, the current WBC and WBA champion.

Representation of two Mexican Premier League soccer teams, working as their legal department, handling all contracts and agreements, brand protection, licensing, regulation, anti-piracy, sponsorships and other commercial activities.

Representation in negotiations and brand protection for one of the most important Actors in Mexico, as well as licensing agreements for one of the most important theater companies in Great Britain.



# PUBLIC RECOGNITION & CLIENT TESTIMONIAL EXPERIENCE

VILA has also been recognized by the following international publications:



























Some of our clients recognition:



"VILA Attorneys is our Go-To Law Firm for intellectual property matters. Víctor Vila's strategic planning and sophisticated craftsmanship, invariably provides us with tailor suited solutions to complex situations. I highly recommend.."

| Juan Paline
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"The law firm that any world-class corporation would like to have by its side" - Edwarda Piraz

Head of Finance and Relations with Government



"We have found in VILA highly specialized counsel, approached on a very clear and objetctive perspective, that has been very valuable for our company best decisions." - Enrique Orendain

# OUR CLIENTS

**SOME OF OUR CLIENTS** 











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# OUR EXPERTS



## **VÍCTOR VILA**

#### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Founding partner of VILA®, he has more than 20 years of professional experience, having previously collaborated with some of the most prestigious law firms in the country in planning, auditing and creating strategies in the field of administrative, corporate, business and intellectual property law, which has generated trust as a strategist and consultant for large national and foreign companies, as well as government entities.

#### **EDUCATION**

Master's degree in Public Law, awarded by the Universidad Panamericana de Guadalajara.

Law degree in Public Private Associations, Instituto Tecnologico de Estudios Superiores de Monterrey.

### **AFFILIATIONS**

- Legal Counsel of the Government of the State of Jalisco in administrative law and intellectual property matters.
- Counselor of the Presidency of the Republic on issues related to Intellectual property law.
- Member of the International Association of Registered Trademarks (INTA)

### SUCCESS CASES

- Attorney authorized by the Government of the State of Jalisco for arbitration representation in Lousanne, Switzerland against the International Swimming Federation (FINA) for an international contract, obtaining favorable results that generated savings of more than 6 million dollars in favor of our client.
- Advisor and negotiator for a renowned world athlete in a representation contract for more than 120 million dollars.
- Designer of a strategy for the development of a public-private partnership project between the federal government, the state government and individuals, in a project for more than 100 million dollars.
- Creator of a strategy for the global protection of a leading brand in the pharmaceutical sector.
- Advisor and coordinator of the intellectual property aspects in the sale of an important company in the telecommunications sector in an operation for more than 300 million dollars.
- Participant in the design of public policy on intellectual property with the government of the state of Jalisco for the 2012-2018 administration.
- Presenter of constitutional controversies before the Supreme Court of Justice of the Nation to promote the non-invasion of spheres of administrative powers within the state of Jalisco.
- Participant in the process of negotiating and acquiring a brand within the health industry for more than 10 million dollars.

# OUR EXPERTS



## **ELÍAS RÍOS**

#### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

With more than 25 years of experience, he is responsible for providing advice to universities and companies -particularly in the pharmaceutical industry and technology development- with remarkable results over the years based on effective strategies with a business focus and when necessary defense through litigation.

His experience also includes handling a broad spectrum of matters that goes from freedom of use opinions to full-scale litigation proceedings, as well as negotiating and drafting settlement agreements.

He is a key element in our firm's patent litigation practice and frequently relieves consultations on economic competition and antitrust regulations. Copyright and franchise matters are also common practice for him, as well as having extensive experience in the software industry.

With patent studies in Japan, he actively participates in consulting strategies for the protection of technological developments and has been a professor at various national and international universities as well as business forums in Mexico and abroad. He has participated as a co-author in several books specialized in intellectual property and is an Accredited Consultant by the Ministry of Economy.

#### **FDUCATION**

Bachelor in Law, Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México.

Specialty in: Intellectual and Industrial Property Law, Protection and Civil and Commercial Procedural Law, Universidad Panamericana.

IP Rights Training Course for Lawyers, Japan Institute of Invention and Innovation.

Licensed in Economic Competition, Universidad Iberoamericana.

#### **EXPERIENCE**

- President of the Western Committee of the MEXICAN ASSOCIATION FOR THE PROTECTION OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY, A.C. (AMPPI) Period 2021-2023
- Consultant accredited by the Ministry of Economy.
- Honorary member of the Center for International Legal Studies.
- Has been ranked as an outstanding practitioner by the following publications: Chambers, IP Stars, lamPatent 1000, Benchmark Litigation, Latin Lawyer, Legal 500.
- He has participated as a co-author of books such as; "Genesis and legislative evolution of Intellectual Property" (2018) and "Industrial Property Law" (2018)
- Articles made in prestigious magazines; Entrepreneur Magazine and Thermometer Online 2019.
- Teaching Activity: Universidad Panamericana México, Universidad Panamericana Guadalajara, Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México, Universidad del Valle de México.
- Lecturer at events sponsored by the following organizations: Japan External Trade OrganizationJETRO. Washington, United States, Branded Generics, CYPIN. Philadelphia, United States, International Judicial Academy. Washington, D.C. United States, Business Software Alliance. Washington, D.C. United States, Campus Party, Connectory by BOSCH, OTT Network, among other organizations.

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### **CITLALI CARLOS**

#### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Citlali has more than five years of experience in the Intellectual Property area, providing advice to both national and international clients, as well as work experience in Spain and Turkey in the corporate area of a Mexican company in the energy sector.

As part of its practice, Citlali collaborates with international associates to provide the best legal advice to Mexican clients who aim to expand their business scope globally, as well as to provide legal assistance to foreign clients who wish to have a presence in Mexico.

Her practice is also focused on the administration of large portfolios of national and foreign clients' brands, keeping their intellectual property assets in full force, being also very involved in contracts of the matter, such as License Contracts, Coexistence Agreements and Agreements Transaction.

Her commitment to the firm, as well as the detail in her work, has made her an important element of the firm, and her talent, vision and legal intuition have allowed her to achieve many goals in her field, being ranked by BENCHMARK LITIGATION as "FUTURE STAR".

### **EDUCATION**

Bachelor in Law, INSTITUTO TECNOLÓGICO Y DE ESTUDIOS SUPERIORES DE OCCIDENTE (ITESO) - 2012

Course given by the Mexican Association for the Protection of Intellectual Property (AMPPI), ANALYSIS AND REVIEW OF THE NEW INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LEGISLATION - 2020

Italian Language Studies in Rome and Milan - 2014, 2015

English Language Studies in Canada - 2006

#### **AFFILIATIONS**

International Trademark Association (INTA) member since 2017

#### **SUCCESS CASES**

- She has successfully expanded the brand portfolio of several clients, overcoming registration obstacles, given his argumentation skills against registration impediments, as well as negotiation, and the creation of legal strategies to obtain the registration of Trademarks.
- Has been ranked by BENCHMARK LITIGATION recognized as "FUTURE STAR" (2020)
- Publications; she elaborated an article for the electronic magazine Your LATAM FlagshIP, under the title "Relevant amendments to the Industrial Property law of Mexico" (2018)
- Publications; Participated in an article for the Mexico 2021 Section "Trends & Developments" of the Patent Litigation Guide of CHAMBERS & PARTNERS, under the title "Patents in Mexico 2020: A New IP Law and Renewed Free Trade Agreements in the COVID -19 Era "(2021)
- Collaborates in the area of patents, and has helped along with other partners of the firm to overcome background trades, resulting in obtaining patents.

# Info - Client

Our firm has developed highly specialized computer programs, the Info-Client system, an effective tool that allows our clients to consult via internet the status of their current and pending matters, reminders, monitoring, progress and in general the legal course of their matters.

"Anywhere, at any time our customers are always informed"



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