DLA Piper adds new partner in Chile

Global law firm DLA Piper has announced the promotion of Diego Peña to partner in its Santiago office, in a move aimed at strengthening the firm's regulatory and energy and natural resources practices.

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Diego joined DLA Piper Chile in 2015. A law graduate from the University of Chile, he later obtained a master's degree in law from Northwestern University in Chicago).

In addition, in 2012 he obtained a certificate in business administration from IE Business School in Madrid, and in 2021 a diploma in future electricity markets and regulation from the School of Engineering of the Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile.

In 2019, he worked in the city of Perth at DLA Piper Australia.

Prior to joining DLA Piper, he worked as an associate in two local firms between 2009-15.

"It is very motivating to continue growing in a project with which I identify, with a firstclass team that is innovative, close to our clients, and with a culture of making our practice a space full of opportunities," Diego said.

He has focused on advising local and foreign clients in various matters, including energy and natural resources, infrastructure, public works concessions, highlighting the development of renewable energy projects and energy transition matters.

He has significant experience advising developers, operators and private investors, engineering and construction companies, and banks and financial and insurance institutions, in the different stages and aspects involved in energy and infrastructure projects developed in Chile and the rest of Latin America, the law firm said in a statement.

"For us it is a tremendous pride to have a person like Diego as a partner because he combines the characteristics of a great lawyer and an excellent person," Felipe Bahamondez, the partner in charge of the regulatory and energy area and co-managing partner of DLA Piper Chile, said.

"The incorporation of Diego as partner is great news for the firm in general, and for the Chilean office in particular, due to his personal and professional qualities, which are widely recognized in the market. Also, together with the incorporation last November of Amory Heine as partner, is an additional sign of the growth and development that we have had and we are sure we will continue to have in Chile, thanks to the trust of our local and global clients," according to Matías Zegers, co-managing partner of DLA Piper Chile.

DLA Piper is a global firm with close to 5,000 professionals in more than 40 countries in

South America, including Argentina, Colombia, Mexico, Peru, Chile and in cooperation with Brazil. The firm also has offices across North America, Europe, the Middle East, Africa, and Asia Pacific.