

## **Juan Bernardo Guarderas Ribadeneira DIRECTOR**

Juan Bernardo is Director at BUSTAMANTE FABARA and a member of the firm's Corporate, Commercial, Finance, Banking, Capital Markets, and Mergers & Acquisitions Team. He focuses his practice on finance, capital markets, corporate, and banking matters. He advises multilateral, bilateral, national, and international creditors, lenders, debtors, borrowers, sellers, and buyers in complex banking and finance operations, generally with mercantile, commercial, fiduciary, securities, and regulatory components and collaterals. He has been involved in the most sophisticated financial and banking operations in Ecuador, including the first issuance of green, thematic, and blue bonds in the country and the region.



Before joining BUSTAMANTE FABARA, Juan Bernardo was an associate at a prestigious firm in Ecuador where he was part of the banking, finance, and M&A areas, focusing his practice and experience on advising clients with an emphasis on corporate financing, senior, subordinated or guaranteed loans and financings, local or international issuances, as well as cross-border transactions with an emphasis on mergers and acquisitions, purchases, sales, and joint ventures, among other operations, in all business areas.

Currently, Juan Bernardo works in the Banking and Finance department, advising and assisting clients in syndicated and bilateral loans, as well as in bond or share issuances in local and international capital markets, among other transactions within the Firm's line of business. He also actively collaborates in the M&A area on local and international transactions, acquisitions, joint ventures, asset purchases, share purchase agreements (SPA), shareholder agreements (SHA), among other complex corporate matters. He has also developed extensive experience in tax and corporate structuring and advisory services for companies.

### **Recognitions**

#### **Chambers & Partners**

- Associate-to-watch: Banking & Finance

### Legal 500

- Leading Associate: Corporate & M&A

### Professional Experience

- **Director**, BUSTAMANTE FABARA 2026 / Present
- **Senior Associate**, BUSTAMANTE FABARA 2022 / 2026
- **Senior Associate**, ROBALINO ABOGADOS 2020 / 2022
- **Associate**, FERRERE ABOGADOS 2018 / 2020
- **Associate**, Almeida Guzmán & Asociados 2016 / 2018
- **Paralegal**, Almeida Guzmán & Asociados 2013 / 2016

### Education

- **Lawyer**: Universidad de las Américas, Quito, Ecuador.
- **Master in Laws (LL.M.)**: Northeastern School of Law, Northeastern University, Boston, Massachusetts, USA

### Languages

- Spanish
- English

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