

Professional Qualifications.

Arturo Hoyos has the following qualifications:

1. I am an attorney at law practicing as an independent lawyer in the Republic of Panama. My practice covers a wide range of subjects as stated below. Primarily I am a legal practitioner and advisor with extensive professional, judicial, arbitration, government, international and academic experience.
2. I studied for a Doctor of Legal Science (Doctoris Scientiae Juridicae) at the Pontificia Universidad Javeriana (Republic of Colombia), with diplomas in socioeconomic sciences and labor law which I attained in 1972 and 1970 respectively .
3. In addition I pursued graduate studies at the University of Sussex (England) for a Master of Arts in Development Economics which I received in 1974.
4. I am fluent in English, although Spanish is my native language. I also have intermediate studies in Italian.
5. I am a member of the National Bar Association of Panama.
6. In 1990 I was appointed to the Supreme Court of Justice of Panama, the highest court of law in the Republic, as an Associate Justice .I retired from the bench on December 31, 2005 when the term of my appointment expired.

7. Between 1994 and 2000 I served as Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Justice of Panama, position that I held as a result of internal elections among the nine Justices. I was elected by my peers for three consecutive two year terms, which makes me the Chief Justice with the longest tenure in recent Panamanian history.
8. During the entirety of my sixteen year tenure on the Panama Supreme Court, I sat on a panel which decided cases arising out of Panama's labor and administrative law conflicts as well as constitutional and private law issues. These conflicts included many cases involving liability of state institutions, arising from tort or contracts including construction and public works contracts, that required a review and interpretation of provisions of the Civil Code and the Code of Commerce on these and other subjects, as well as the law on State Contracts and special laws concerning contractual liability in different state institutions.
9. As Justice of the Supreme Court of Panama I sat with the full Court and ruled in hundreds of cases of the most diverse nature that included, among other subjects, Panama Corporations, Commercial, Civil and Procedural Law, and Judicial review of the constitutionality of laws . Almost all areas of the Panamanian legal system were reviewed during my tenure, so that my judicial experience covered private and public law. I also sat on the Fourth Panel of the Supreme Court, from 1992 to 2000, dealing with the execution of foreign judicial opinions and arbitral awards which also gave me an important contact with Private International Law.

10. In October of 1995 I was elected as the first President of the Organization of Supreme Courts of the Americas in a meeting in Washington where more than twenty Chief Justices of the Supreme Courts of the Western Hemisphere took part. At that meeting I was invited by the late Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States of America, The Honorable William H. Rehnquist, to deliver an address on Due Process in the Americas, and the Chief Justices of the Supreme Courts of Canada, Antonio Lamer, and El Salvador, José Domingo Méndez, were invited to comment on my lecture. The major addresses (mine and those of United States Supreme Court Associate Justices Stephen G. Breyer and Anthony Kennedy and the late judge Judge Edward D. Re) and panelists commentaries made at the Conference of the Supreme Courts of the Americas were subsequently published in the Saint Louis University Law Journal(Vol. 40, No.4, Summer 1996) with an introduction by the late Chief Justice Rehnquist.

11. I was a professor on a part time- basis at the University of Panama for nearly 18 years. I taught at different Schools (Law, Economics and International Relations) and lectured on several subjects comprising International Economic Relations, Public Finance, Labor Law and Tax Law.

12. From 1971 to 1975 I worked at the Ministry of Labor as a lawyer and, among other titles, an Under Secretary of Labor. I took a leave of absence from 1973 to 1974 to study at the University of Sussex in England.

13. Between 1976 and 1989 I was an associate at the Panama law firm Arias, Fábrega and Fábrega where my practice concentrated on private law in general, and in particular corporate and offshore corporations and also included contracts, banking, tax, labor and litigation. While at this firm I also acted as expert witness on Panamanian Law in litigation in Federal United States District Courts in New York, Saint Thomas and Saint John (Virgin Islands).

14. I have published extensively on legal subjects covering different branches of Public Law (Constitutional, Administrative, Tax and Procedural Law) and Private Law institutions of the Panamanian Legal System. The list of my books and essays that appear in legal journals and newspapers is very extensive. They have been published in the following countries: United States of America, Argentina, Brazil, Colombia, Costa Rica, Spain, The Netherlands, Mexico, Panama, Peru, Uruguay and Venezuela.

15. My books have been considered authoritative and have been quoted by the Supreme Courts of Justice of Ecuador, El Salvador, Nicaragua, Panama, Perú, Uruguay and Venezuela, and lower courts in other Latin American countries in support of opinions rendered by those courts of law in cases pertaining to their jurisdictions and national Constitutions and laws. Some of my books are textbooks used by law students, not only in Panamanian universities but also in other Latin American countries.

16. In 2010, five years after leaving the Court, I was invited by the then Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Panama, Aníbal Salas, to join the Justices in writing an essay for a book that was published in 2011 titled “The Supreme Court in the 21st Century” (in Spanish). My essay was on the Fundamental Right to Private Property.
17. I have been invited to lecture on different legal matters in several countries of the Americas. As recently as August of 2010 I have been invited by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Brazil to lecture in the First Meeting of Jurists of Latin America and the Caribbean organized by the former; and in September and October of 2010 in international Congresses organized by the Electoral Court and the Supreme Court of Panama; in March of 2006 I was one of the panelists in the Annual Conference sponsored by the International Center for Dispute Resolution and the American Arbitration Association specifically in the subject of International Commercial Arbitration and the execution of international arbitral awards(Jurisdiction over Jurisdiction) principle; and also lectured at the Law School of the University of Miami on Contemporary Legal Trends in private and public law. On November 7 of 2007 I delivered the keynote speech in Costa Rica in commemoration of Constitution Day of said country at the invitation of the Supreme Court of Justice of Costa Rica.
18. During my tenure as Justice of the Court of Panama I wrote many opinions that signaled a departure from the traditional position that the Court had held on many subjects .

19. As Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Panama I organized and set into motion new judicial institutions to improve the administration of justice. Among these were a system of courts specializing in some mercantile law conflicts such as intellectual property, anti-trust , unfair commercial practices and consumer protection; family courts; and new appeals jurisdictions to deal with those matters and also with juvenile and labor conflicts. I also promoted new legislation on the protection of victims of crimes, adopted in 1998 by the National Assembly of Panama, following which I set up a Free Legal Aid Department for Victims of scarce resources (Legal Aid was only available for accused offenders) .
20. My current legal practice comprises a wide range of subjects, among them civil, corporation and commercial law , procedural and administrative and constitutional law. I have represented different clients in judicial proceedings and in arbitration.
21. Since leaving the Supreme Court I have also provided expert witness testimony on Panamanian Law in litigation in the following judicial tribunals:
- a. The United States District Court, Southern District of New York (Corporate Law);
 - b. The United States District Court for the Southern District of Florida, Miami Division (Torts).
 - c. The United Kingdom of Great Britain (High Court of Justice, Queen´s Bench Division, Technology and Construction Court) (Torts arising from construction activities) ;
 - d. The United Kingdom of Great Britain (in the High Court of Justice, Queens Bench Division, Commercial Court) (commercial contracts).

- e. In Switzerland (Arbitral Tribunal of Sport-TAS-CAS) (Panamanian law of Public Registry);
- f. The High Court of the Republic of Singapore (Panama Corporation Law);
- g. The Dispute Adjudication Board (DAB) (Panama law on administrative contracts, interpretations of contracts and hardship)
- h. The Supreme Court of the State of New York, County of New York (Panama Corporate law)
- i. The Commercial Court of the Canton of Aargau, Switzerland (Corporate Law)
- j. Panamanian courts (contracts)
- k. I have also provided expert witness testimony in Arbitration Tribunals with seats in Panama, New York, Miami, Paris and London and in International Arbitration Tribunals (Investment Treaties Arbitration in Washington (CIADI) and International Chamber of Commerce-ICC)

22. In 2017 I was appointed by the International Court of Arbitration of the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) as sole arbitrator to decide on a case whose subject matter is a controversy concerning a commercial contract of distribution.