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## FCPA Latin America Enforcement Trends and Compliance Tips

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### **Agenda**

- Summary of FCPA Basics
- Corporate Enforcement in 2019
- Individual Enforcement in 2019
- Compliance and Red Flags: What can you do?
- Challenges of Doing Business in Latin America



### **FCPA Basics**

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- The FCPA applies to:
  - Companies organized under U.S. law
  - Foreign issuers of securities in the U.S.
  - Individuals located in the U.S., including foreign nationals
  - Employees of covered companies
- What does the FCPA require?
  - Don't bribe!
  - Keep accurate books and records + maintain internal controls





## FCPA: Anti-Bribery Provision

- Anti-Bribery Provision
  - Prohibits offering, promising, authorizing, or actually paying money or anything of value to a foreign official to influence any act or decision of a foreign official (in his/her official capacity) to secure any improper advance or obtain/retain business
- Let's break that down
  - Yes, even any offer of a bribe is prohibited
  - What is a "anything of value" mean?
  - Who is a "foreign official" under the FCPA?
  - What does it mean to influence an "act" or decision" of an official?

### **FCPA: Accounting Provisions**

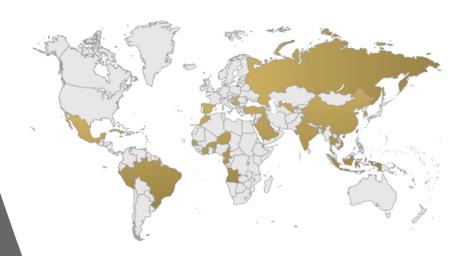
- Keep <u>books and records</u> that accurately reflect transactions
- Maintain system of <u>internal controls</u> to assure company's control, authority, and responsibility over assets

Bribes often mischaracterized as:

- Commissions or royalties
- Consulting fees
- Sales and marketing expenses
- Travel and entertainment expenses
- Rebates or discounts
- After sales service fees
- Free goods
- Intercompany accounts
- "Customs intervention" payments

## Corporate Enforcement 2019

- Biggest year ever for penalties
  - Two largest penalties in history
- Industries affected
- Geographic locations
- Trends:
  - Enforcement is alive and well
  - Continued "clustering" same conduct leading to multiple investigations
  - Continued multi-jurisdictional cases
  - Proactive compliance is rewarded



#### INDUSTRIES MOST AFFECTED







Financial Service







Consumer Goods Engineering/Construction







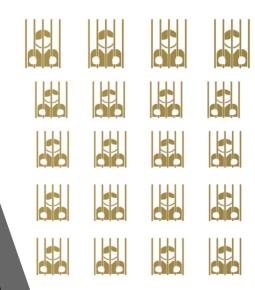


14 Cases
AND
\$2.65B
in Settlement Amounts

## Individual Enforcement 2019

- Second highest year ever for cases
- Trends:
  - Trials
    - Four convictions and one acquittal
    - Already new developments this year
    - Will more defendants go to trial?
  - More FCPA-related cases
    - Money laundering and wire fraud charges
  - Continued individual enforcement not tied to corporate settlements
    - Is this a precursor to future corporate enforcement resolutions?

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# Hallmarks of Compliance

- Commitment from senior management "tone at the top"
- Anti-corruption policies and procedures
- Oversight, autonomy, and resources
- Risk assessment
- Training and continuing advice
- Incentives and disciplinary measures
- Third party due diligence
- Confidential reporting and internal investigation
- Periodic testing and review
- Mergers and acquisitions: pre-acquisition due diligence and post-acquisition integration











## **Look Out For Red Flags**



- History of corruption in specific country or industry
- Third Party Agents
  - Unusually high commissions
  - Unusual financial arrangements such as payments to parties not involved in the deal
  - Agents or representatives that do nothing or very little
- Gifts, Meals, Travel, and Entertainment
  - Requests from government officials for travel or entertainment
  - Multiple meals with the same government official
  - Providing a large, extravagant gift or a series of smaller gifts which indicate a pattern of bribery

# **Challenges of Doing Business in Latin America**



- Compliance challenges highest number of FCPA violations involve
  - Third part intermediaries usually as "business consultants"
    - Very small communities and, culturally, hiring of friends and relatives is common
  - Gifts, entertainment, and donations
    - Non-business related trips
    - Donations to institutions supported by a government official
- Common requests for things of value requested in LATAM
- Where do we draw the line?
  - Policy considerations
  - Cultural considerations
  - Legal considerations
  - Books and records
- Effect on customer relationships and personal reputations

# **Challenges of Doing Business in Latin America**



- Potential Scenarios Do not do good things that appear to be bad
  - Upon execution of a significant contract with a government entity, a supplier engaged by the company to participate in the execution of the work offers to provide the government entity with a local art piece valued at US\$200 and an invitation to dinner with everyone that has a role in the contract.
  - Employee invites a customer that is a government official to its facilities to see the latest technologies. During the visit, the employee offers to take the government official out to lunch.
  - Company invites customers, including government officials, and their significant others to an annual conference and the company pays for the airfare, transportation, hotel and all related expenses.
  - As part of entering into a contract with a government entity, the government requests a monetary donation to be used to improve a park within the community.
- How do I convey the limitations to my customers without losing the potential business?

## Q & A

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