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For the first e-alert of 2016 of [The Latin American Lawyer](#) we bring you a round-up of the latest deals and other news in the Latin American legal market including Chile's \$2.7 billion bond offer where Shearman & Sterling and [Philippi Prietocarrizosa & Uría](#) advised the underwriters.

Elsewhere, Mexico was home to the first Latin American IPO of the year, with Paul Hastings being instructed by homebuilder Javier on its public issuance.

Despite jittery market conditions, law firms in the region continue to invest in talent with Hogan Lovells and Garrigues in Mexico, [Philippi, Prietocarrizosa & Uría](#) in Chile and [Rodrigo, Elias & Medrano](#) in Peru all adding new partners.

In other market moves, Elisabeth Eljuri, the former Head of Latin America at Norton Rose Fulbright, has left the firm and joined Sierra Oil and Gas, a Mexican energy company.

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[Shearman & Sterling and Philippi Prietocarrizosa & Uría instructed on Chile's \\$2.7 billion bond offer](#)

Shearman & Sterling in New York and Philippi Prietocarrizosa & Uría in Chile have advised the underwriters on Chile's notes offerings and "switch" tender offer.

[Paul Hastings instructed on first Latin American IPO of 2016](#)

Mexican homebuilder Javier has instructed Paul Hastings on its global offering of shares which consisted of a public tranche in Mexico, a private placement in the United States and a Regulation S offering in other countries.

[Hogan Lovells adds four lawyers in Monterrey, Mexico](#)

Hogan Lovells BSTL announced the arrival of María Teresa Garza, Rocío Sánchez-Arriola, David Esquivel, and Luis Fourzán to the firm's Monterrey office.

[Elisabeth Eljuri, former Head of Latin America at Norton Rose Fulbright, has joined Sierra Oil and Gas in Mexico](#)

Sierra Oil and Gas, the Mexican independent oil and gas company, has announced the arrival of Elisabeth Eljuri as Chief Negotiator and Chief Legal Counsel.

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