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Given the diversity of its clients and the pace of Mexico's commercial development over the years, the firm has developed expertise in many areas of legal practice in Mexico. In addition to the corporate field of practice, the firm offers specialized services in the following areas:

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The firm maintains close relationships with governmental offices and professional and business organizations in Mexico and abroad. It has participated with legislators, government agencies and private groups in drafting laws and regulations, and in exploring practical solutions to current legal issues. Its lawyers serve on boards of directors of many companies and non-profit organizations and also do a substantial amount of pro bono work for charitable and civic groups.

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