# Des Gouttes & Associés



# Carla Reyes

Attorney at Law, LL.M.

## Languages

English, French, Spanish, Italian

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# **Expertise**

#### Fraud, Financial Crime and Asset Recovery

Carla Reyes' primary fields of practice are complex fraud matters, business crime, international mutual legal assistance (criminal, administrative and tax related), extradition, as well as compliance and regulatory.

She is frequently retained as counsel in connection with white-collar crime cases at a federal or state level.

She regularly handles issues related to corporate investigations and assists clients in settlement negotiations.

Carla Reyes regularly ensures the enforcement of foreign and national decisions and clients' rights by means of criminal proceedings, asset tracing and recovery, as well as civil seizure of assets on behalf of financially harmed clients.

WWL says: Carla Reyes is a leading white-collar crime lawyer, whom peers endorse as "a formidable advocate and excellent lawyer". She further "is an excellent strategist and has the highest legal skills", "Definitely my go-to person in Switzerland".

#### Litigation and Arbitration

Carla Reyes has a broad practice across the spectrum of criminal and commercial litigation both before state courts and other Swiss federal jurisdictions. In particular, she enjoys considerable experience in domestic and cross-border multijurisdictional litigation matters.

She practices, among others, in international commercial disputes of a civil nature, in particular in the banking and trading industry.

#### **International Sanctions**

Carla Reyes has also developed a strong practice before the Federal authorities in embargoes, sanctions matters and political freezing of assets.

#### Education

2011	Admission to the New York Bar
2010	Columbia University School of Law, New York, LL.M.
2009	Admission to the Geneva Bar
2005	University of Geneva, Licence en droit (magna cum laude)

# **Professional Experience**

2017	Partner, Des Gouttes & Associes	
2011-2016	Senior Associate, S Wittmer Ltd, Geneva	Schellenberg
2010-2011	Foreign Lawyer, Wachtel New York	Missry LLP,

#### Other Activities

Since 2020	Member of the Advisory Board of European Criminal Bar Association (ECBA)
Since 2018	Member of the Board of Directors of Victims of Crime Association of Lawyers (VOCAL), Vice-President since 2024
2016-2020	Member of the Commission for the Innovation and Modernization of the Geneva Bar (CIMBAR)
2016-2020	Member of the Board of Directors of the Women's Business Society (WBS)

## **Memberships**

Geneva Bar Association (OdA), Swiss Bar Association (SAV), European Criminal Bar Association (ECBA), European Fraud and Compliance Lawyers (EFCL), Women's Business Society (WBS), Victims of Crime Association of Lawyers (VOCAL), International Fraud Group (IFG), Women's White Collar Defense Association (WWCDA)