



News

Many of our engagements involve matters in which our clients face significant public attention. The following is a list of news stories about the firm, our clients, cases and the results we have achieved.

Chambers Global Guide 2026 Recognizes Kobre & Kim and Multiple Global Lawyers

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Kobre & Kim and several lawyers have been recognized in the latest *Chambers* Global Guide rankings across a variety of categories.

Our recognitions this year include:

Corporate Crime & Investigations in Latin America - International Counsel

Kobre & Kim was recognized as "*truly impressive*," with a team that is "*creative, entrepreneurially savvy*" and who "*think outside the box*."

Adriana Riviere-Badell and **Evelyn Baltodano Sheehan** were also recognized, describing Adriana as having "*a great reputation in the market*" and Evelyn as being "*very committed to the corporate crime and investigations practice in the Latin America region*."

Corporate Crime & Investigations (International Firms) in Brazil

Kobre & Kim was placed in this category, noting the firm "*handles everything very attentively*."

Derivatives: Enforcement in the United States

Jonathan Cogan earned recognition in **Band 1**, with one respondent telling Chambers: "*Jonathan is excellent and we would look to work with him again*."

Dispute Resolution in the British Virgin Islands

Kobre & Kim earned a spot in this category, highlighting that the firm "*is respected by international clients and its lawyers are keen trouble-shooters*," making for "*outstanding synergies*."

Timothy de Swardt and **Merrick Watson** were individually recognized. Merrick was praised for being a "*seasoned litigator who is dedicated and extremely hard-working, with an encyclopedic knowledge of BVI legal practice and procedure*." Timothy was described as "*an erudite, thoughtful strategist who goes the extra mile to ensure the most favorable outcome*."

Dispute Resolution in the Cayman Islands

Kobre & Kim was placed in this category, noting that "*for complex and multi-jurisdictional litigation there are few law firms that compete with Kobre & Kim*."

Peter Tyers-Smith was again placed in **Band 2**, saying he is "*outstanding - he compares favorably to London silks. He has an excellent courtroom manner which is really compelling*."

Dispute Resolution in the United Arab Emirates

Kobre & Kim earned a place in this category, noting the team is "*very commercial, pragmatic and focused on results*."

Paul Hughes and **Richard Clarke** were also recognized individually for their work in this category, describing Paul as "*doing a great job*" and Richard as "*exceptionally capable and professional*."

Dispute Resolution: International Firms in South Korea

Kobre & Kim was recognized in this category.

Michael S. Kim was also recognized individually, lauded as having a "*terrific reputation*."

Intellectual Property: Trade Secrets in the United States

Kobre & Kim was ranked in **Band 2** in this category, noting the team is "*incredibly mighty*" and "*uses outside-the-box thinking with creative solutions to aggressively pursue strategy. Excellent client service, highly responsive and attuned to their client's needs*."

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Investigations & Enforcement (International & Cross Border) in the United States

Kobre & Kim earned a spot in this category, noted as “ *very experienced and effective.*”

Litigation: Trial Lawyers in the United States

Matthew Menchel was again placed in **Band 1**, describing him as “ *an excellent trial lawyer and incredible in front of a jury.*”