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José Ricardo Feris is the Deputy Secretary General of the ICC International Court of Arbitration in Paris, France. As such, he is directly in charge of nine case management teams dealing with both commercial and investment arbitration cases conducted in over one hundred jurisdictions, pursuant to numerous applicable rules of law and involving parties from over one hundred and thirty countries. He has supervised and reviewed thousands of arbitration cases and arbitral awards. He has played an instrumental role in the revision and implementation of the 2012 and 2017 ICC Rules of Arbitration. He also acts as Secretary of the ICC Latin American Arbitration Group and Global Co-Chair of ICC Young Arbitrators Forum. Before being appointed Deputy Secretary General he held the positions of Deputy Counsel, Counsel in charge of Latin America and the Iberian Region, interim secretary to the ICC Commission of Arbitration and ADR and Managing Counsel.

He received his law degree “magna cum laude” from the Pontificia Universidad Católica Madre y Maestra in the Dominican Republic and his LL.M. in International Legal Studies from New York University, where he was Graduate Editor of the Journal of International Law and Politics. He is admitted to practice in the Dominican Republic. His experience in international dispute resolution includes being a law clerk to Judges Rezek and Kooijmans at the International Court of Justice in The Hague. He also worked for the Legal Advisor to the President of the Dominican Republic and represented the Dominican Republic before the Free Trade Agreement of the Americas’ negotiation rounds.

He is a fellow of the International Dispute Resolution Academy (“IDRA”) and a founding and board member of the Latin American Arbitration Association (“ALArb”). He teaches, has authored numerous publications and is a regular speaker in conferences and seminars on arbitration and other legal topics. In addition to Spanish, his native language, he speaks English, French and Portuguese. He has basic knowledge of Russian.

He is included in the prestigious *Who’s Who* publication as a “*meticulous operator*” and someone who is “*highly valued as arbitrator.*” He has also been identified by *Latin Lawyer* as one of the most noteworthy careers of the Latin American diaspora. In 2006 he was chosen by *Junior Chamber International* as “Outstanding Young Dominican.” He was featured in the 2016 edition of *Revista Mercado’s* 40 under 40 ranking.