JUAN FÉLIX MARTEAU

He has dedicated the last 20 years of his professional life to the practice of law specialized in the field of economic-financial crimes, a sphere he has strategically integrated, on one hand, with his role as President of FININT, a foundation aimed at influencing policies for the control of illicit assets, and, on the other, with his position as Full Professor of Criminology at the University of Buenos Aires, developing a realistic approach to the phenomenon of criminal threats.

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He founded and leads **Marteau Law**, a law firm specializing in transnational economic-financial crimes, known for providing clients with high-standard professional services in intelligent litigation, corporate advisory, and government consulting.

- Acts as defense counsel in criminal, administrative-criminal, and economic-criminal litigation, having exercised legal representation before the competent regulatory bodies and all levels of the Argentine federal justice system, including the Supreme Court of Justice of the Nation.
- Has proven experience in the design and implementation of institutional frameworks capable of successfully managing the risks generated by critical assets linked to illicit practices.
- Develops economic-financial disruption strategies aimed at containing and neutralizing threats from illicit markets, protecting clients' assets and investments.

His regular clients include media and telecommunications companies, financial institutions, digital wallets, insurance companies, credit unions and cooperatives, tobacco companies, distance-education service firms, document storage and management companies, provincial and national governments, as well as individuals.

He is listed in the recommended attorneys section of the United States of America and Federal Republic of Germany embassies in Buenos Aires.

To practice before the national and federal Argentine courts, he is registered with the Buenos Aires Bar Association (Colegio Público de Abogados de la Capital Federal) and the Federal Court of Appeals of San Martín.

He is an Independent External Reviewer for the most recognized entities in Argentina's banking, insurance, and capital-markets sectors.

He served as a board member of Microsistemas during the launch and development of Personal Pay, the digital wallet of Grupo Telecom Argentina.

He provided legal representation to Argentine victims of the ISIS-inspired terrorist attack in Manhattan, NYC.

He founded and chairs **FININT / Foundation for Research in Financial Intelligence**, dedicated to influencing public-sector decision-making regarding the control of economic-financial assets.

He advises public authorities responsible for implementing economic-financial sanctions on the assets of criminal organizations.

In public service, he served as National Coordinator for Combating Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing, as well as National Coordinator and Representative of the Argentine Republic before the Financial Action Task Force (FATF-GAFI), the Financial Action Group for South America (GAFISUD), and the Expert Group for the Control of Money Laundering of CICAD-OAS.

In those technical-political positions:

- Promoted Argentina's first Terrorism Financing and Proliferation Risk Assessment,
- represented the Argentine national state in FATF-GAFI's Second Mutual Evaluation, acting across 4 continents (Americas, Europe, Africa, and Asia);
- coordinated Argentina's first National Agenda against money laundering and terrorism financing, approved by Decree No. 1225/2007; and
- was responsible for drafting several legislative bills on terrorism and financial crime, including the draft Law on Terrorist Illegal Associations and Terrorism Financing, which incorporated these crimes into the National Penal Code for the first time (Law 26.268).

He was a consultant to international organizations on systematic risk assessment of economic-financial crimes, having participated in numerous high-level missions:

- As a consultant to the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC), he was an expert in the Financial Disruption Program in Burkina Faso, Senegal, and Colombia, and an observer in the Mutual Evaluation of Equatorial Guinea (GABAC).
- As a consultant to the International Monetary Fund (IMF), he worked on the national strategies of Uruguay, Paraguay, and Panama.
- As a consultant to the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB), he was Paraguay's first national risk assessor.

He also advised the Presidency of the Criminal Legislation Commission of the Honorable Chamber of Deputies of the Nation and numerous deputies and senators on financial crimes.

Currently, at the University of Buenos Aires, he is **Full Professor of Criminology by Competitive Examination**, Director of the Center for Studies on Hemispheric Security, Terrorism, and Financial Crime (CESH-UBA), and Director of the Graduate Program on Global Combating of Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing, a course in which hundreds of professionals from Argentina and the region have been trained.

He is also a Counselor Member and Director of the Committee on Transnational Organized Crime and Terrorism at the Argentine Council for International Relations (CARI).

He was twice a fellow of the International Visitor Leadership Program (IVLP) of the U.S. Department of State, and in that capacity co-founded REAL / Argentine-American Network for Leadership, an organization that brought together Argentine participants of that program.

He completed postdoctoral residencies at:

- the Max-Planck-Institut für ausländisches und internationales Strafrecht (Germany);
- the Maison des Sciences de l'Homme and the Centre de Recherches Sociologiques sur le Droit et les Institutions Pénales/CNRS (France); and
- the Faculté des Sciences Sociales de la Université d'Ottawa (Canada).

He obtained his doctorate and master's degree in sociology at the Universidade de São Paulo (Brazil). He studied criminology at the Hamburg Universität (Germany). He graduated as a lawyer from the Universidad Nacional del Litoral (Argentina).

He is a speaker at specialized conferences and meetings in Argentina and abroad, and the author of books *Las Palabras del Orden* (Editores del Puerto) and *La Condición Estratégica de las Normas* (Eudeba); articles in specialized journals; and opinion pieces in the leading Argentine newspapers on topics related to law, politics, and financial crime. He recently published *La utopía del estándar. El problema de la eficacia del combate global contra el lavado de activos y la financiación del terrorismo en Argentina* (CARI).