

Litigators of the Week Runners-Up

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► A few months ago we told you about **Latham & Watkins** partners **Fernando Mantilla-Serrano** and **Samuel Pape** beating back a \$130 million claim against the Republic of Colombia brought by a gold mining company at the World Bank's International Centre for the Settlement of Investment Disputes stemming from the country's ban on mining in the páramos, a fragile moorland ecosystem in the Andes and an important freshwater source. Last week the pair led a team secured an even bigger ICSID win for Colombia related to the páramos mining ban, defeating a \$180 million claim brought by Canadian mining company Montauk Metals Inc. under the Canada-Colombia Free Trade Agreement. The Latham team also included associates **Diego Romero** and **Matías Zambrano**.