

Litigator of the Week

Runners-Up and Shout Outs

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➤ Sticking with that ICSID arbitration theme for a moment, a team at **Latham & Watkins** beat back a \$130 million claim against Colombia brought by gold miner Red Eagle Exploration Limited targeting the South American country's ban on mining in the páramos, a fragile moorland ecosystem in the Andes that is an important source of freshwater. After a five-day merits hearing in Washington, D.C., in February 2023, a divided ICSID panel last week sided with Colombia on the merits and dismissed Red Eagle's claims. The Latham team includes partners **Fernando Mantilla-Serrano** and **Samuel Pape**, and associates **Diego Romero** and **Hugo Varenne**.