# **GARRIGUES**



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**Dispute Resolution: Litigation and Arbitration** 

Criminal Law and Internal Investigations

Luis Molero is the partner in charge of the firm's Criminal Law practice in Andalusia and the Canary Islands. His career has focused exclusively on economic criminal law and business law. He joined Garrigues in 2006 after amassing extensive experience as co-founder of the law firm Sm Abogados. He has broad professional expertise in managing all types of criminal proceedings, especially crimes against worker safety, crimes against natural resources and the environment, fraud, corporate crimes and crimes against the Public Treasury.

### **Experience**

He has advised businesses and company directors on the design of crime risk management systems with a view to avoiding or reducing the criminal liability of legal entities. Luis is an expert in economic criminal law.

He has defended companies in proceedings for environmental crimes, crimes against the Public Treasury, fraud, misappropriation, corporate crimes and crimes against worker safety.

He has participated in the following:

- Lecture on Criminal Liability under Legal Reforms, as part of the "Healthy Business" Symposium organized by AENOR (April 2013).
- Speaker, Symposium on the Reform of the Criminal Code in relation to Tax Crimes and Crimes against Social Security, organized by Asociación Progreso y Desarrollo (APD), (April 2013).
- Conference on Civil and Criminal Liability of Foundations and their Trustees. Asociación de Fundaciones Andaluzas (March 2013).
- Speaker, Symposium organized by Confederación Regional Empresarial Extremeña (CREEX) on criminal consequences of occupational accidents (March 2010).
- Conference on the Reform of the Criminal Code, organized by the Tenerife Chamber of Commerce (November 2010).

- Lecture, "Responsabilidad penal de los Administradores. Regulación actual y reforma del Código Penal" (Criminal Liability of Directors. Current Regulations and Reform of the Criminal Code), organized by Confederación Regional Empresarial Extremeña (CREEX), (February 18, 2009).
- Lecture, "Responsabilidad penal del administrador" (Criminal Liability of Directors), as part of the Director's Liability symposium, organized by the Tenerife Chamber of Commerce (May 22, 2007).
- Lecture, "Responsabilidad penal del administrador" (Criminal Liability of Directors), as part of the Director's Liability symposium, organized by the Seville Chamber of Commerce (October 2006).
- Lecture, "Padre y Tutores ante la responsabilidad civil derivada del delito" (Parents and Guardians and Civil Liability Arising from Offenses), organized by the 1st European Congress on Programs for Compliance with Judicial Measures for Minors (November 29 and 30, and December 1, 2006).

# **Academic background**

- Law Degree, Universidad de Sevilla
- Diploma in Senior Management, Instituto Internacional San Telmo, 2010.

# **Teaching activity**

Member of the teaching staff of the first two editions of the Master's Degree in Legal Practice, Universidad Pablo de Olavide de Sevilla (UPO).

Coordinator of the criminal law area of first edition of the Master's Degree in Legal Practice, Universidad Pablo de Olavide (UPO).

Lecturer, Master's Degree in Legal Practice, Universidad Loyola de Andalucía.

### **Memberships**

Member of the Seville Bar Association.

#### **Distinctions**

Best Lawyers Lawyer of the Year 2021 (Criminal Defense & Litigation).

Best Lawyers in Spain: 2016, 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2022 (Criminal Defense & Litigation).

#### **Publications**

- Article: "La Cadena Perpetua" (Life Imprisonment), Diario de Sevilla, June 2011.
- Article: "Societas Delinguere Potest", ABC Empresa, November 7, 2010.
- Article: "Asesoramiento Penal para el empresario" (Criminal Advice for Employers), Diario El Sur, March 8, 2009.
- Article: "La responsabilidad Penal en el ámbito de la empresa" (Criminal Liability in the Corporate Sphere), Journal of the Seville Chamber of Commerce, March 2009.

- Joint article: "La Reforma del Código Penal" (The Reform of the Criminal Code), Seville Bar Association Journal La Toga, July 2009.
- Article: "La pena de banquillo" (Trial by Humiliation), Diario ABC, October 17, 2007.