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A Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher team led by Rahim Moloo and Lindsey Schmidt secured a \$1.5 billion award for a Spanish affiliate of insurer Liberty Mutual in international arbitration against the Republic of Venezuela. Late last month, a three-member tribunal administered by the Permanent Court of Arbitration held that foreign exchange restrictions that Venezuela imposed from 2010 until 2018 breached the “free transfer guarantee” under the Spain-Venezuela bilateral investment treaty. The award included the value of Liberty Mutual cash that the tribunal found became “trapped” in Venezuela because of the measures, as well as interest and \$15.5 million in legal fees. The Gibson Dunn team included of counsel Stephanie Collins and associates Maria Banda, Theo Tyrrell, Nika Madyoon, Pablo Garrido and Karsten Ball.

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