

Confidentiality of Communication between Clients and their Patent Advisors

Republic of Peru

The Constitution of Peru protects in Article 2, Section 18 the professional secrets.

With regard to legislation on the scope of professional client/lawyer confidentiality Article 165 of the Criminal Code of Peru provides that:

“CHAPTER V. BREACH OF PROFESSIONAL CONFIDENTIALITY

Article 165.- Breach of professional confidentiality

Persons who are privy to information, by virtue of their status, occupation, employment, profession or ministry, about secrets whose disclosure can cause harm and who reveal them without the consent of the interested party shall be sentenced to a maximum of two years' imprisonment and 60 to 120 day fines.”