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BILL No. 16 of 2021 *Monday 22nd November, 2021*

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The following Bill which will be introduced in the National Assembly is published for general information.

S.E. Isaacs,
Clerk of the National Assembly.

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BILL No. 16 of 2021

DEEDS REGISTRY (AMENDMENT) BILL 2021

ARRANGEMENT OF SECTIONS

SECTION

1. Short title.
2. Insertion of new section 20A in the Principal Act.

A BILL

Intituled

AN ACT to amend the Deeds Registry Act.

A.D. 2021 Enacted by the Parliament of Guyana:-

Short title. Cap. 5:01

1. This Act, which amends the Deeds Registry Act, may be cited as the Deeds Registry (Amendment) Act 2021.

Insertion of new section 20A in the Principal Act.

2. The Principal Act is amended by the insertion immediately after section 20, of the following section –

"Power of attorney to be filed with requisite documents. Cap. 5:08

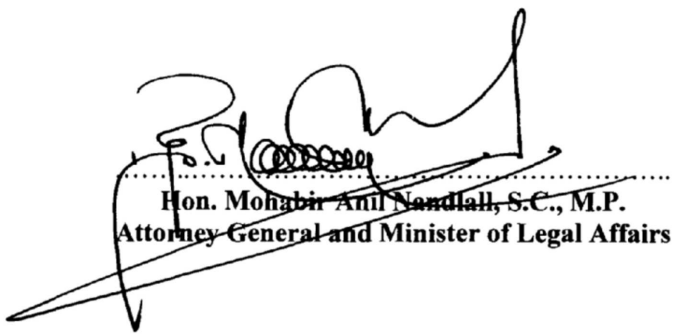
20A. (1) A power of attorney shall not be registered, filed or recorded in the Deeds Registry unless it has attached to it, as specified in section 2A of the Powers of Attorney Act, photocopies of the two photograph identification documents of the donor and donee and the separate witness statement in the case of a power of attorney executed out of Guyana, which have been certified, signed and sealed or stamped by a Public Notary, Magistrate or Justice of Peace before whom the power of attorney was executed.

(2) A person who registers, files or records a document purporting to be a power of attorney in contravention of subsection (1) commits an offence and is liable on summary conviction to a fine of five million dollars and to imprisonment for five years.".

Explanatory Memorandum

This Bill amends the Deeds Registry Act, Cap. 5:01, to insert a new section 20A in the Act.

Section 20A provides that it is an offence for a person to register, file or record a power of attorney without the attached copies of the photograph identification documents and the witness statement in the case of a power of attorney executed out of Guyana, as specified in section 2A of the Powers of Attorney Act.



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