



## **LIST OF ATTORNEYS**

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8. AUTHENTICATIONS: The name of each attorney listed is on file in the Consular Section of the United States Embassy in Guatemala for purposes of authenticating signatures.

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