

**BILL No. 16 of 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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**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.                      1. This Act, which amends the Deeds Registry Act, may be cited as  
Cap. 5:01      the Deeds Registry (Amendment) Act 2021.

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

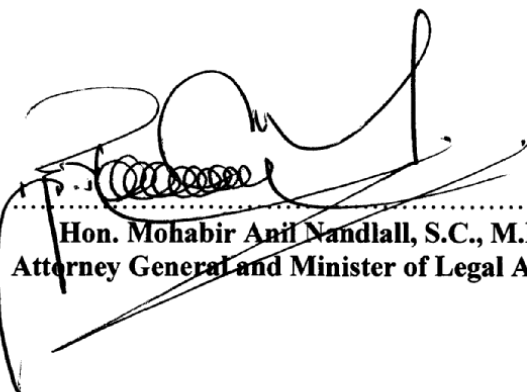
“Power of                      20A. (1) A power of attorney shall not be  
attorney to be      registered, filed or recorded in the Deeds Registry  
filed with      unless it has attached to it, as specified in section 2A of  
requisite      the Powers of Attorney Act, photocopies of the two  
documents.      photograph identification documents of the donor and  
Cap. 5:08      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 or Magistrate 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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**Hon. Mohabir Anil Nandlall, S.C., M.P.**  
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