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María Fernanda has been part of the firm since 2008, as an expert in banking and financial law, where she was promoted to partner in 2019. Prior to joining Mayora & Mayora, she was Director of Special Verification Intendency (IVE) of the Superintendency of Banks of Guatemala, as well as in-house legal advisor to several national and international banks. Her professional experience has provided her with a broad and intimate knowledge of financial and banking regulations.

She has been a university professor for more than twenty years in subjects such as commercial law, civil law and financial institutions, among others. Her postgraduate studies include courses on banking, money laundering, financing of terrorism and administrative law at institutions in Mexico, the United States, Costa Rica and Spain.

Education

| CERTIFIED EVALUATOR IN THE 2004 EVALUATION METHODOLOGY FOR ASSESSING A COUNTRY STRUCTURES AGAINST MONEY LAUNDERING AND TERRORIST FINANCING GAFI, COSTA RICA | 2005 |
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| DIPLOMA OF APTITUDE IN ECONOMIC ADMINISTRATIVE LAW UNIVERSITY OF SALAMANCA, SPAIN | 2003 |
| DOCTORAL CANDIDATE IN PUBLIC AND PRIVATE PLURALIST LAW | |
| AUTONOMOUS UNIVERSITY OF BARCELONA, GUATEMALA | 2002 |
| BACHELOR OF LAW UNIVERSIDAD FRANCISCO MARROQUÍN, GUATEMALA | |

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Practice Areas

- Banking and Finance Law
- Commercial Law
- · Compliance Law
- Securities Law

Recognitions





Representative Cases

María Fernanda Morales Pellecer has advised financial institutions in order to obtain and grant financing, and has coordinated complex operations and processes before the financial authorities of the Republic of Guatemala.

She has also assisted companies in the placement of securities in foreign markets under Rule 144a. She has extensive experience advising on securitizations, financial restructurings and suspension of financial operations.