

March 18, 2009 FID Circular No. 003-2009

Sir General Manager Panama City

> Ref.: Vital Records and Juridical Acts Certification Requests

Dear General Manager:

We hereby advise you that the Electoral Tribunal of Panama and the General Comptrollership of the Republic, within the framework of an agreement to Enhance the Level of Registration and Inscription of Vital Events and Juridical Acts, and backed up by their respective legal excerpts, have implemented a new Clinical Birth Report Single Form and a new Clinical Death Report Form, which have legal and statistical value.

Any time that, for legal purposes, the Trust Company under your charge requires a Certification of Inscription of such vital events and juridical acts, it must advise the interested parties that they must request such Certifications before the Civil Registry National Directorate, which is the *depositary of the documents concerning the civil state of persons, and the body in charge of their safekeeping and conservation, as well as of the granting of copies and certifications issued based on the inscriptions and annotations made by the authorized means and by the Institution's dependencies.* (Law 31 of July 25, 2006, modified and added by Law 17 of 2007 of the Civil Registry, Single Text, Chapter I, Article 5)

Attentively,

Olegario Barrelier Superintendent