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Lawyer with over 25 years of experience in Customs Law and a recognized International Consultant in Customs Legislation. Graduated from the Central American University (UCA), with a Master's Degree in Integration Processes; and Postgraduate Programs in Maritime Law and Law of the Sea, Conflict Mediation, Administrative Law, Administrative Litigation, Legal Aspects of International Business, Constitutional Law, with Specialized Studies of Central American Customs Legislation; and Courses in Criminal Law, Human Rights, Intellectual Property and Tax Law. Currently finishing his doctorate.

Member of Legal Commission of the Association of Professional Agents of Customs of the Americas (ASAPRA) and of Legal Commission of the Confederation of Associations of Customs Agents of Central America and the Caribbean Basin, (CONAACC). Founding Member of the International Law Academy Customs Officer; Negotiator by the Superior Council of the Private Enterprise of Nicaragua (COSEP), in the Association Agreement between the European Union and Central America.

He has served as advisor to the government of Nicaragua in various international conventions and agreements such as: Protocol on Illicit Trade in Tobacco Products and the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control; Free Trade Agreement between the Republic of Korea and Central America; Central American Customs Union negotiations for the incorporation of Panama to the Central American Economic Integration Process and WTO's Trade Facilitation Agreement.

Co-editor of the rules and procedures for the implementation of the AEO program in Nicaragua.