

# MANUEL MARÍA DE PERALTA

Diplomat, lawyer, and historian  
(Costa Rica, 1847-1930)



GALLERY  
of HISTORIANS  
and GEOGRAPHERS of  
AMERICA

Was declared worthy of distinction by the government of Costa Rica. He studied law at the University of Saint Thomas, and in Europe, he took courses in law. His ability to speak several languages, also his vast knowledge of international cultures, led him into a career as a diplomat; with that background, he represented Costa Rica in several European countries and defended, in legal processes, the territorial boundaries of his country in relation to Colombia. As a historian, he centered his research on matters involving the frontiers and territorial boundaries of Costa Rica.

*Wrote: Costa Rica y Colombia de 1573 a 1881, su  
jurisdicción y sus límites territoriales / El canal  
interoceánico de Nicaragua y Costa Rica en 1620 y 1887  
/ Historia de la jurisdicción de Costa Rica y la Costa de  
Mosquitos / Atlas histórico de la República de Costa  
Rica. Veragua y Costa de Mosquitos.*