

Republic of the Philippines Supreme Court Office of the Court Administrator Manila

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TO

ALL JUSTICES OF THE COURT OF APPEALS, SANDIGANBAYAN AND COURT OF TAX APPEALS, JUDGES OF THE TRIAL COURTS. THE INVESTIGATING OFFICERS AND BODIES AUTHORIZED BY THE SUPREME COURT TO EVIDENCE, RECEIVE INCLUDING INTEGRATED BAR OF THE PHILIPPINES AND ARBITERS OF SPECIAL COURTS AND QUASI-WHOSE RULES OF JUDICIAL BODIES PROCEDURE ARE SUBJECT TO DISAPPROVAL THE SUPREME COURT, **INSOFAR AS** THEIR **EXISTING RULES OF PROCEDURES** CONTRAVENE THE PROVISIONS OF THIS RULE

SUBJECT:

EXTENSION ON THE MODIFIED PUBLIC PROSECUTORS' COMPLIANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE JUDICIAL AFFIDAVIT RULE FOR ANOTHER YEAR, ENDING ON 31 DECEMBER 2014

The Supreme Court *En Banc* has issued a Resolution dated 10 December 2013 that resolves to **EXTEND** the modified public prosecutors' compliance with the provisions set forth on the Judicial Affidavit Rule for another year, ending on 31 December 2014, quoted hereunder as follows:

A.M. No. 12-8-8-SC (Judicial Affidavit Rule) - Acting on the recommendation of the Chairman of the Chief Justice Committee to Address Case Congestion and Delays, the Court resolves to EXTEND for another year, ending on 31 December 2014, the modified public prosecutors' compliance with the provisions of the Judicial Affidavit Rule insofar as the prosecution of criminal cases is concerned. The Court enjoins the National Prosecution Service of the Department of Justice and the Prosecutors' League of the Philippines to work closely with the Supreme Court Sub-Committee on the Revision of the Rules of Criminal Procedure, headed by Association Justice Diosdado M.

Peralta, in developing comprehensive and truly meaningful changes that will minimize the problems of delay in the criminal justice system.

Let the Office of the Court Administrator and the Public Information Office be furnished with copy of this resolution for circulation.

Any prior circular from the Office of the Court Administrator on this matter which is contrary to the foregoing is hereby superseded.

For your information, guidance and strict compliance.

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