



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

OCA CIRCULAR NO. 111-2014

**TO: ALL PRESIDING JUDGES AND CLERKS
OF COURT OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL
COURTS**

**SUBJECT: REITERATION OF OCA CIRCULAR NO. 34-
2012 IMPLEMENTATION OF SECTION 39 OF
REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9285 AND
SUBMISSION OF INVENTORY REPORTS
IN RELATION THERETO) DATED APRIL 27,
2012**

The Construction Industry Arbitration Commission (CIAC) through its Chairman, Mr. Manuel M. Cosico and Members, Messrs. Antonio A. Abola and Emilio Lolito J. Tumbocon, have invited the attention of this Office regarding the submission of only five (5) cases dismissed by the trial courts and referred to the CIAC for arbitration, despite the issuance of OCA Circular No. 34-2012 dated April 27, 2012, relative to the implementation of Section 39 of Republic Act No. 9285 and submission of inventory reports in relation thereto.

Henceforth, the foregoing directives set forth under the abovementioned OCA Circular No. 34-2012 dated April 27, 2012 are **REITERATED**, to hasten the resolution of construction disputes and declog the court dockets of cases, which are under the original and exclusive jurisdiction of the CIAC pursuant to Section 4, Executive Order No. 1008 and Section 39, Republic Act No. 9285 dated February 4, 1985 and April 2, 2004, respectively, to wit:

“In view of the foregoing, all concerned are hereby **DIRECTED** to (1) **DISMISS**, effective immediately, all pending construction disputes with arbitration clauses of the contending parties not later than the pre-trial conference, and thereafter **REFER** the same to the **Construction Industry Arbitration Commission (CIAC)** for their proper arbitration thereon, unless both parties, assisted by their respective counsel, shall submit to the Regional Trial Court a written agreement exclusively for the Court, rather than the CIAC, to resolve the dispute; and (2) **SUBMIT** also within fifteen (15) days from notice, an inventory of such construction disputes filed in their respective courts, to the Court Management Office, Office of the Court Administrator, using the attached Form No. 1.”

Strict compliance is hereby enjoined.

22 August 2014

JOSE MIDAS P. MARQUEZ
Court Administrator