



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

OCA CIRCULAR No. 136-2013

TO : THE CONCERNED JUDGES

SUBJECT : FOCUS GROUP DISCUSSION (FGD) ON THE  
CASE CARRYING CAPACITY OF LOWER  
COURT JUDGES ON NOVEMBER 5 - 6, 2013  
AT HIGH COUNTRY INN, 106 CAMPO FILIPINO,  
NAGUILIAN ROAD, BAGUIO CITY

The Supreme Court, with the assistance of the United States Agency for International Development (USAID), thru the Asia Foundation, is conducting a study of the case carrying capacity of Lower Court judges. This study will enable the Supreme Court to assess the needs of courts and judges based on judicial workloads and case complexities by establishing a reasonable caseload for them. The establishment of the reasonable caseload will provide a rational basis for the determination of: (1) how many courts and judge positions are needed in order to ensure efficiency and timeliness of court operations and outputs; (2) where courts are needed; (3) how many cases judges should be expected to handle annually; and (4) establish timeliness for different types of cases.

In connection therewith, the following judges are hereby authorized to attend the said focus group discussion on **OFFICIAL TIME/OFFICIAL BUSINESS**, chargeable to local funds, if authorized and available, provided their court calendars are properly managed and the parties notified in advance of any cancelled hearing:

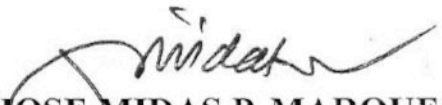
NAME	STATION
1. Hon. Marita Bernales Balloguing	RTC, Branch 20, Vigan City
2. Hon. Raphiel F. Alzate	RTC, Branch 1, Bangued, Abra
3. Hon. Pablo M. Agustin (APJ)	RTC, Branch 4, Tuguegarao City
4. Hon. Emma P. Bauzon	RTC, Branch 37, Lingayen, Pangasinan
5. Hon. Mia Joy O. Cawed	RTC, Branch 4, Baguio City
6. Hon. Edilberto T. Claravall	RTC, Branch 60, Baguio City

7. Hon. Cicero B. Jandoc	RTC, Branch 29, Bayombong, Nueva Vizcaya
8. Hon. Emmanuel C. Rasing	RTC, Branch 3, Baguio City
9. Hon. Alpino P. Florendo	RTC, Branch 30, San Fernando City, La Union
10. Hon. Marybelle Demot Mariñas	RTC, Branch 8, La Trinidad, Benguet
11. Hon. Manuel F. Pastor, Jr.	RTC, Branch 50, Villasis, Pangasinan
12. Hon. Isidoro T. Pobre	RTC, Branch 18, Batac City, Ilocos Norte
13. Hon. Efren B. Tienzo	RTC, Branch 49, Urdaneta City
14. Hon. Oscar T. Zaldivar	RTC, Branch 7, Aparri, Cagayan
15. Hon. Jonathan A. Asuncion	MTCC, Branch 2, Laoag City
16. Hon. Grace Glicería F. De Vera	MTCC, San Carlos City, Pangasinan
17. Hon. Santiago J. Marcella, Jr.	MTCC, Branch 3, Dagupan City
18. Hon. Maria Clarita Casuga Tabin	MTCC, Branch 4, Baguio City
19. Hon. Joseph C. Añonuevo	MTC, Sta. Maria, Pangasinan
20. Hon. Luis A. Daoen	MTC, Bontoc, Mountain Province
21. Hon. Nora M. Dorado	MTC, Camalaniugan, Cagayan
22. Hon. Edilberta O. Casiano	MTC, Luna, La Union
23. Hon. Charlotte Fraulein F. Garcia	MTC, Bambang, Nueva Vizcaya
24. Hon. Maria Corazon M. Labrador	MTC, San Nicolas, Ilocos Norte
25. Hon. Isidro S. Reyes	MTC, Rizal, Cagayan
26. Hon. Beda B. Ruiz	MTC, Bani, Pangasinan
27. Hon. Lornabeth Tutaan Ucol	MTC, Alicia, Isabela
28. Hon. Redentor B. Valera	MTC, Bangued, Abra
29. Hon. Ma. Victoria A. Acidera	MCTC, Bangui-Pagudpud-Adams-Dumalneg, Ilocos Norte
30. Hon. Marietta Brawner Cualing	MCTC, Tuba-Sablan, Benguet
31. Hon. Ma. Anastacia M. Labog	MCTC, Cabatuan-Luna, Isabela
32. Hon. Leah Agrifina G. Ramirez-Florendo (APJ)	MCTC, Banayoyo-Lidlidda-San Emilio, Ilocos Sur

The Asia Foundation will provide meals and accomodation during the event and properly documented transportation expenses will be reimbursed.

For strict compliance.

Issued this 24<sup>th</sup> day of October 2013.



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Court Administrator