



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

OCA CIRCULAR No. 137-2013

TO : THE CONCERNED JUDGES

SUBJECT : FOCUS GROUP DISCUSSION (FGD) ON THE CASE CARRYING CAPACITY OF LOWER COURT JUDGES ON NOVEMBER 5 - 6, 2013 AT HOTEL GALLERIA, GOVERNOR DUTERTE ST., DAVAO 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. Edilberto G. Absin	RTC, Branch 29, San Miguel, Zamboanga del Sur
2. Hon. Danilo M. Bucoy (APJ)	RTC, Branch 17, Zamboanga City
3. Hon. Salvador M. Ibarreta, Jr.	RTC, Branch 8, Davao City

4. Hon. Henry B. Damasing	RTC, Branch 24, Cagayan de Oro City
5. Hon. Silvestre D. Orejana, Jr. (APJ)	RTC, Branch 12, Oroquieta City
6. Hon. Judy Sia Galvez	RTC, Branch 42, Medina, Misamis Oriental
7. Hon. Cherry Joy C. Concha-Ageas	RTC, Branch 10, Dipolog City
8. Hon. Rufo U. Naragas	RTC, Branch 40, Tandag City
9. Hon. Evelyn Gamotin Nery	RTC, Branch 19, Cagayan de Oro City
10. Hon. Oscar P. Noel, Jr.	RTC, Branch 35, Gen. Santos City
11. Hon. Wenida M. Papandayan	RTC, Branch 10, Marawi City
12. Hon. Vincent Filomeno B. Rosales	RTC, Branch 23, Cagayan de Oro City
13. Hon. Hector B. Salise	RTC, Branch 7, Bayugan City, Agusan del Sur
14. Hon. Nancy B. Cuaresma	MTCC, Branch 1, Zamboanga City
15. Hon. Rufino S. Ferraris, Jr.	MTCC, Branch 7, Davao City
16. Hon. Pablito S. Pielago, Jr.	MTCC, Branch 2, Pagadian City
17. Hon. Veronica C. De Guzman Laput (APJ)	MTCC, Branch 2, Dipolog City
18. Hon. Joel G. Vercide	MTCC, Branch 1, Pagadian City
19. Hon. Francis L. Rafil (APJ)	MTCC, Branch 2, Butuan City
20. Hon. Emerita P. Gamboa (APJ)	MTCC, Valencia City, Bukidnon
21. Hon. Eleuteria Badoles Algodon	MTCC, Branch 3, Cagayan de Oro City
22. Hon. Virgilio G. Murcia	MTCC, Branch 2, Island Garden City of Samal
23. Hon. Silverio M. Mandalupe	MTCC, Branch 3, Davao City
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25. Hon. Leon B. Borrromeo	MTC, Mambajão, Camiguin
26. Hon. Deborah G. Nazario	MTC, Polanco, Zamboanga del Norte

27. Hon. Lou A. Nueva	MTC, Prosperidad, Agusan del Sur
28. Hon. Divina T. Samson (APJ)	MTC, Maco, Compostela Valley
29. Hon. Angelita A. Tumanda	MTC, San Isidro, Davao Oriental
30. Hon. Bernarda B. Villanueva (APJ)	MTC, Sultan Naga Dimaporo, Lanao del Norte
31. Hon. Rainera P. Osua	MTC, Midsayap, North Cotabato
32. Hon. Juan Gabriel H. Alano	MCTC, Maluso-Lantawan-Sumisip, Basilan
33. Hon. Shené C. Cañete	MCTC, Imelda-Malangas-Diplahan, Zamboanga Sibugay
34. Hon. Francis L. Rafil	MCTC, Tubay-Santiago, Agusan del Norte
35. Hon. Exequil L. Dagala	MCTC, Dapa-Socorro, Surigao del Norte
36. Hon. Gregorio R. Balanag, Jr.	MCTC, Kiambal-Maitum, Sarangani
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44. Hon. Ronald C. Tolentino	MCTC, R. Magsaysay-Midsalip-Sominot, Zamboanga del 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 24th day of October 2013.


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