



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

**OCA CIRCULAR NO. 51-2010**

**TO : ALL EXECUTIVE/PRESIDING JUDGES  
AND CLERKS OF COURT/ACCOUNTABLE  
OFFICERS OF THE FIRST AND SECOND  
LEVEL COURTS**

**SUBJECT : EXEMPTION OF THE DANGEROUS DRUG  
BOARD FROM THE PAYMENT OF LEGAL FEES**

The Dangerous Drug Board, through its Executive Secretary, Undersecretary Edgar C. Galvante has invited the attention of this Court that Petitions for Voluntary Confinement of Drug Dependents filed by the Board should be exempt from the required filing fees under Section 22, Rule 141 of the Rules of Court considering that said Board is under the Office of President.

Finding merit on the position of the Board, the Court *En Banc* in its Resolution dated March 2, 2010 in **A.M. No. 10-2-03-0 (Re: Clarification on the Exemption of the Dangerous Drug Board from Payment of Filing Fees)**, **RESOLVED** to **EXEMPT** the Dangerous Drug Board from the payment of filing fees relative to Petitions for Voluntary Confinement under Article VIII, Section 15 of Republic Act No. 9165, otherwise known as the "Comprehensive Dangerous Drugs Act of 2002".

Strict compliance is hereby enjoined.

April 23, 2010.

  
**JOSE MIDAS P. MARQUEZ**  
Court Administrator