

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

OCA CIRCULAR NO. 222-2017

TO

: ALL JUDGES, CLERKS OF COURT AND BRANCH CLERKS OF COURT OF THE FIRST AND SECOND LEVEL COURTS

IN THE PROVINCE OF ABRA

SUBJECT: INTERNSHIP PROGRAM FOR MEDIATION TRAINEES ON

COURT-ANNEXED MEDIATION

The Philippine Judicial Academy (PHILJA), through the Philippine Mediation Center Office (PMCO), in coordination with the Office of the Court Administrator, is expanding its Court-Annexed Mediation Program in the Province of Abra.

To formally mark the establishment of the Philippine Mediation Center Unit (PMCU) in Bangued, Abra, an Internship Program for Mediation Trainees will be conducted from 4 December 2017 to 28 February 2018. This activity aims to provide Mediation Trainees the opportunity to apply what they have learned from the Basic Mediation Course to be conducted at the Hotel Salcedo de Vigan in Vigan City, on 20 to 23 November 2017, by handling mediatable cases where they should successfully settle at least three (3) out of five (5) cases assigned to them, in order to be recommended for accreditation as Court-Annexed Mediators. This program will be conducted under the supervision of a Mentor-Coach.

In connection therewith, you are hereby directed to conduct an inventory of mediatable cases and refer them to the PMC Unit in Bangued, Abra, starting 4 December 2017 and thenceforth.

Any communication relating to this program should be addressed to the Hon. Justice Adolfo S. Azcuna, Chancellor, PHILJA, 3rd Floor, Centennial Building, Supreme Court, Padre Faura Street corner Taft Avenue, Manila.

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