

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

OCA CIRCULAR NO. 234-2017

TO

: All JUDGES AND CLERKS OF COURT IN THE PROVINCES OF DAVAO ORIENTAL AND COMPOSTELA VALLEY

SUBJECT: Internship Program for Mediation Trainees

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 Programs in the Provinces of Davao Oriental and Compostela Valley.

To formally mark the establishment of the Philippine Mediation Center Units (PMCUs) in Mati City, Davao Oriental and Nabunturan, Compostela Valley, an *Internship Program for Mediation Trainees* will be conducted from December 4, 2017 to February 28, 2018. This activity aims to provide Mediation Trainees the opportunity to apply what they have learned from the Basic Mediation Course 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. The program will be conducted under the supervision of a Mentor-Coach.

In connection therewith, you are hereby **DIRECTED** to prepare an inventory of mediatable cases and **REFER** the said cases to the PMCUs in Mati City, Davao Oriental and Nabunturan, Compostela Valley.

For strict compliance.

December 13, 2017

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