

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

## OCA CIRCULAR NO. 99-2018

TO

: ALL JUDGES, CLERKS OF COURT AND BRANCH CLERKS OF COURT OF THE FIRST AND SECOND LEVEL COURTS IN THE PROVINCES OF MASBATE AND CATANDUANES

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 Provinces of Masbate and Catanduanes.

To formally mark the establishment of the Philippine Mediation Center Units (PMCUs) in Masbate City and Virac, Catanduanes, an Internship Program for Mediation Trainees will be conducted from 4 June 2018 to 4 August 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 St. Ellis in Legazpi City on 20 to 23 March 2018 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 respective PMC Units in Masbate City and Virac, Catanduanes, starting 4 June 2018 and thenceforth.

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

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