

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

OCA CIRCULAR NO. 88-2020

TO

: ALL JUDGES, CLERKS OF COURT AND BRANCH CLERKS

OF COURT OF THE FIRST AND SECOND LEVEL COURTS

IN THE PROVINCE OF NEGROS OCCIDENTAL

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 San Carlos City and Kabankalan City, Negros Occidental.

To formally mark the establishment of the Philippine Mediation Center Units (PMCUs) in San Carlos City and Kabankalan City, Negros Occidental, an Internship Program for Mediation Trainees will be conducted from 16 March 2020 to 16 May 2020. This activity aims to provide Mediation Trainees the opportunity to apply what they have learned from the Basic Mediation Course conducted at the L' Fisher Hotel in Bacolod City, on 26 to 29 November 2019, 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 Bacolod City, San Carlos City, and Kabankalan City, Negros Occidental, starting 16 March 2020 and henceforth.

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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