OCA CIRCULAR NO. 156-2023

TO : ALL EXECUTIVE JUDGES AND CLERKS OF COURT

OF THE FIRST AND SECOND LEVEL COURTS

SUBJECT: DESIGNATION OF FOCAL PERSONS FOR THE 2023

ANNUAL SEARCH FOR OUTSTANDING LUPONG TAGAPAMAYAPA INCENTIVE AWARDS (LTIA)

PROGRAM

The Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) has launched its Annual Search for the Outstanding Lupong Tagapamayapa Incentives Awards (LTIA) in all barangays nationwide. The LTIA program provides economic and other incentives to Lupong Tagapamayapa who have demonstrated exemplary performance and made commendable contributions in the promotion of the Katarungang Pambarangay (KP) Law.

The Supreme Court, through the Office of the Court Administrator, as member of the National Awards Committee (NAC) and the National Board of Judges (NBOJ) of the Outstanding Lupong Tagapamayapa Incentives Awards (LTIA) Program¹, encourages the representation of Judges in the LTIA-related activities in their territorial jurisdictions.

Accordingly, all Executive Judges of the Regional Trial Courts (RTCs) and single sala RTC Judges are **DIRECTED** to designate one (1) Judge as focal person and (1) one alternate for the LTIA. This focal person shall sit as a member of the Board of Judges in the 2023 LTIA program in the Provincial, Regional, City, and Municipal levels. The names and contact details of the designated focal person and alternate in each stations shall be submitted to their respective DILG Regional Directors on or before 14 April 2023 (Friday).

On the other hand, all First Level Clerks of Court of the Office of the Clerk of Court and Branch Clerks of Court of Single Sala First Level Courts are **DIRECTED** to receive the **periodic report of cases** submitted by the

¹Executive Order No. 394 s. 1997 and Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG) Memorandum Circular 2008 - 12, designated the Supreme Court, through its Representatives, to act as member National Awards Committee (NAC) and the National Board of Judges (NBOJ) of the Outstanding Lupong Tagapamayapa Incentives Awards (LTIA) Program

Lupong Tagapamayapa within their jurisdiction pursuant to Section 419, RA 7160 Local Government Code and Section 16, Rule VI, Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of the KP Law.

Any related inquiries on the matter shall be made through Ms. Maria Olivine M. Contreras via the email address ltia.nationalsecretariat@gmail.com or mobile number 0997-852-8065

For strict compliance.

11 April 2023.

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