



Republic of the Philippines
Supreme Court
Office of the Court Administrator

OCA CIRCULAR NO. 373-2023

FOR: ADDITIONAL JUDGES AND COURT PERSONNEL

SUBJECT: ADDITIONAL ATTENDANCE IN THE NAGA CITY, BALANGA CITY, AND ZAMBOANGA CITY JUSTICE ZONES ANNUAL PLANNING AND TEAM BUILDING WORKSHOP

The European Union (EU) through the Justice Sector Reform Programme: Governance in Justice (GOJUST) has organized and will conduct the ***“Justice Zone Annual Planning and Team Building Workshop”*** for the 12 Justice Zones.

The activity aims to: (1) situate the accomplishments of individual justice zones based on the 5 thematic areas; (2) review the issues identified during the individual online sessions, identify and prioritize which ones will be addressed collectively as a justice zone towards achieving higher maturity levels of justice zones by the end of 2025; and (3) further strengthen institutionalization and standardization of the justice zones through the 3Cs (coordination, collaboration, and communication) based on the conduct of team building activities.

The following additional Judges and court personnel of the aforementioned Justice Zones are enjoined to attend the activity on the following dates:

1. Naga City: 16-17 November 2023 (Venue: The Avenue Plaza Hotel, Naga City)
 - 1.1. Hon. Pablo C. Formaran III, Executive Judge and Presiding Judge RTC Branch 21 and Naga City Justice Zone Convenor
2. Zamboanga City: 20-21 November 2023 (Garden Orchid Hotel and Resort, Zamboanga City)
 - 2.1. Hon. Gregorio V. dela Peña III, 1st Vice Executive Judge and Presiding Judge, RTC Branch 12;
 - 2.2. Hon. Gracelina G. Bernardo, 2nd Vice Executive Judge and Presiding Judge RTC Branch 17;
 - 2.3. Hon. Ivy F. Tamayo, Presiding Judge RTC Branch 7-FC;
 - 2.4. Hon. Ruben G. Pajarito, Presiding Judge RTC Branch 16; and
 - 2.5. Ms. Christine Faith C. Baltazar, Court SWO, RTC-OCC.
3. Balanga City: 23-24 November 2023 (Venue: Park Inn by Radisson Clark, Clark Freeport, Mabalacat, Pampanga)
 - 3.1. Atty. Maria Irene I. Santos, Branch Clerk of Court, RTC Branch 2.

Attendance in this activity shall be on OFFICIAL TIME.

Issued this 14th day of November 2023.


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