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ADDITIONAL LEGAL RESOURCES

SUPREME COURT OF THE PHILIPPINES

The Supreme Court (SC) regulates admission to the Philippine Bar and administers the Philippine Bar examinations. In addition, the minimum curricular requirements for membership in the Philippine Bar are set forth in the Rules of Court promulgated by the SC. The SC assigns a roll number to each lawyer who has passed the Philippine Bar. The SC requires all lawyers to indicate their Roll of Attorneys Number in all papers and pleadings filed in judicial and quasi-judicial bodies, in addition to their current Professional Tax Receipt (PTR) and Integrated Bar of the Philippines (IBP) Official Receipt or Life Member Number.

The SC compiles a list of Philippine lawyers who have signed the roll of Philippine bar passers and are licensed to practice law in the Philippines. This list may be downloaded from the following link <http://sc.judiciary.gov.ph/baradmission/lawlist/index.php>.

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3/F, New Supreme Court Building Annex
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Pio_personnel@sc.judiciary.gov.ph
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INTEGRATED BAR OF THE PHILIPPINES

The Integrated Bar of the Philippines (IBP) is the national organization of lawyers in the Philippines. It is the mandatory bar association for Filipino lawyers. Membership in the IBP is compulsory for all lawyers in the country. As stated above, the Philippine Supreme Court requires all lawyers to indicate in all papers and pleadings filed in judicial and quasi-judicial bodies their IBP Official Receipt or Life Member Number in addition to their Roll of Attorneys Number and their current Professional Tax Receipt (PTR). The list of lawyers may be viewed at http://www.ibp.ph/ibp%20website/html/ibp_lawlist.html.

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PHILIPPINE BAR ASSOCIATION

The Philippine Bar Association (PBA) is the oldest voluntary national organization of lawyers throughout the Philippines. It traces its roots to the Colegio de Abogados de Filipinas organized on April 8, 1891, and the bar association organized by American lawyers in the Philippines in 1900, which was patterned after the American Bar Association.

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The Public Attorney's Office exists to provide the indigent litigants, the oppressed, marginalized, and underprivileged members of the society free access to courts, judicial and quasi-judicial agencies, by rendering legal services, counselling and assistance in consonance with

the Constitutional mandate that "free access to courts shall not be denied to any person by reason of poverty" in order to ensure the rule of law, truth and social justice as components of the country's sustainable development.

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