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MOST FILIPINOS BACK PH'S RETURN TO ICC – SURVEY

MANILA – The results of an Octa Research survey showed that more than half, or 57 percent, of Filipinos are in favor of the Philippines rejoining the International Criminal Court (ICC).

The Tugon ng Masa survey, conducted from April 22 to 24, showed 37 percent opposed the idea while 6 percent were undecided.

The majority or 60 percent of the respondents in Metro Manila, Luzon, and the Visayas support the move.

The strongest opposition was seen in Mindanao, with 66 percent of the respondents rejecting the idea and only 30 percent in favor.

High awareness of the ICC was seen among adult respondents, with 85 percent saying they had heard or read about the court.

The survey also indicated that about half of the respondents from all socioeconomic classes and age brackets showed support for the country's return to



ICC.

The survey had 1,200 respondents aged 18 and above interviewed face-to-face. It has a margin of error of ± 3 percent at a 95 percent confidence level.

The Philippines withdrew from the ICC's founding treaty, the Rome Statute, in 2019. (PNA)

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CHIZ PUSHES TAX RELIEF, CREDIT ACCESS FOR MSMES UNDER PRIORITY BILLS



MANILA – Senate President Francis "Chiz" Escudero is pushing for a legislative package aimed at strengthening micro, small, and medium enterprises (MSMEs) through tax incentives and expanded access to financing.

The proposals form part of Escudero's 10 priority bills for the 20th Congress, focusing on easing the financial burden of MSMEs, which he called the "backbone of the Philippine economy." MSMEs account for 67 percent of employment nationwide.

"These will allow our MSMEs, particularly those that are struggling financially, to continue their operations, hire more people, and even consider an expansion in the future," Escudero said Tuesday.

Among the key provisions of the bills is a three-year income tax exemption for MSMEs, along with a 25 percent labor expense deduction from taxable income.

Escudero also seeks to reduce the optional tax on gross sales or receipts to 5 percent from the current 8 percent.

He is also proposing a simplified creditable withholding tax structure – 1 percent for the purchase of goods and properties, and 2 percent for services.

He also wants to reinstitute the mandatory credit allocation for MSMEs by all lending institutions, to be enforced over 10 years.

Escudero said the reforms are designed to help small businesses grow amid economic challenges. (PNA)

~ SOUL FOOD ~

"This is how God showed his love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him."

- 1 John 4:9 -



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GOD'S WORD POWERFULLY BEGINS HIS WORK

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P9.4B worth of seized drugs completely destroyed

No trace of illegal drugs was found in the final residue of narcotics destroyed during a high-profile thermal destruction event led by President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr., with authorities confirming that all four ash samples tested negative for shabu, marijuana, cocaine, and ecstasy.

In a report submitted by the Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency (PDEA), the ashes retrieved from the thermal facility in Capas, Tarlac were tested to ensure accountability and scientific validation in drug disposal. The report was backed up by three photos of the actual testing.

The four bottles of ashes were collected from separate burn batches, each subjected to chemical analysis to detect any remaining traces of narcotics. All tests came back negative, confirming the thoroughness of the incineration process.

The event marks the culmination of a multi-agency effort to destroy PhP9.4 billion worth of illegal drugs, including a massive cache of methamphetamine hydrochloride or shabu recovered recently by fishermen off the coast of northern Luzon.

On Wednesday, President Marcos witnessed

the chemical testing of random samples of the total 1,530.647 kilos of shabu, marijuana, cocaine, and ecstasy before their destruction at the Clean Leaf International Corp., a waste management company in Capas, Tarlac.

The President has advocated a “balanced, humane, and evidence-based” approach to the anti-drug campaign to emphasize the importance of public trust in the government’s enforcement efforts.

The ash testing is considered a key safeguard in the destruction protocol and a strong countermeasure against allegations of drug recycling, a shift in policy that emphasizes the rule of law, inter-agency collaboration, and community involvement.

At the same time, the ashes would be disposed of following environmental regulations, concluding a comprehensive process that began with interdiction and ended with validated de-



struction.

The “floating shabu” haul worth PhP8.87 billion, one of the largest drug seizures in the country’s history, was credited to the vigilance of local fishermen and the swift response of maritime authorities — a testament, the President said, to the power of cooperation between government and civil society. **(PND)**

PGH’s new specialty center, symbol of quality public healthcare – Palace

The Philippine General Hospital (PGH) has officially commenced construction on its 16-story pediatric and adult specialty center, a flagship project aligned with President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr.’s commitment to strengthening the country’s healthcare system and expanding access to specialized medical services.

In a Palace press briefing on Friday, Presidential Communications Undersecretary and Press Officer Claire Castro highlighted the significance of the project, noting that it is a testament to the Marcos administration’s dedication to quality public healthcare for all Filipinos.

“Ang specialty center na ito ay simbolo ng pagpapahalaga ng pamahalaan sa paghahatid ng quality public healthcare sa sambayanan,” Castro said.

The groundbreaking ceremony held on June 25 was led by First Lady Louise Araneta-Marcos, underscoring the national importance of the initiative.

The state-of-the-art facility will include 450 hospital beds, modern pediatric emergency and operating rooms, intensive care units, and comprehensive outpatient clinics.



The first phase of the project is estimated to cost PhP675.5 million, with full completion expected by 2027.

In a video played during the briefing, UP President Angelo Jimenez emphasized the significance and the long-term impact of the project.

“This is more than just a building. It is a promise that no Filipino should be left behind when it comes to healthcare,” Jimenez said.

“It is an investment in our people, in the dignity, in the future of public health in the country,” Jimenez said.

President Marcos has earlier pledged to establish 179 specialty centers nationwide by the end of his term in 2028, as part of a broader effort to modernize and decentralize healthcare services across the country. **(PIA)**

PTFOMS Hails Court’s Acquittal of Bacolod Journalist in Libel Case

The Presidential Task Force on Media Security (PTFOMS) applauds the Bacolod City Regional Trial Court Branch 53’s decision to acquit journalist Erwin “Ambo” Delilan, formerly of SunStar-Bacolod, after nearly two decades of legal proceedings.

The court determined the prosecution failed to prove libel charges beyond a reasonable doubt, charges that arose in 2005. Delilan’s reporting on a dispute cited official complaints without additional commentary or malicious intent. This action was deemed to be within the realm of responsible journalism and protected by the constitutional freedom of the press.

“This ruling underscores a fundamental tenet of press freedom: journalists should not be penalized for reporting matters of public interest in good faith and without actual malice,” said Undersecretary Jose Torres Jr., executive director of PTFOMS. “The law clearly demands a higher standard of proof in libel cases involving public figures.”

“Mr. Delilan’s acquittal is a personal victory and a reaffirmation of the vital role the press plays in a democratic society,” said Torres. “We commend the court’s decision and reiterate our strong commitment to safeguarding journalists from harassment, intimidation, and prolonged legal battles meant to stifle critical reporting.”

PTFOMS is committed to institutionalizing reforms to prevent the misuse of libel laws against the media and stands ready to support media practitioners in their pursuit of safe, ethical, and fearless journalism. Earlier this week, PTFOMS praised the establishment by the Philippine Press Institute of Media-Citizen Councils as “platforms for dialogue, oversight, and mutual understanding.”

The Media-Citizen Council is a multi-sectoral, community-based, and independent group that aims to resolve conflicts between and among media and those who complain about inaccuracies in news reports via mediation through Appropriate Dispute Resolution.

It works on the framework of the Philippine Initiative under the Philippine Plan of Action for the Safety of Journalists and on the framework of independent media self/co-regulation, media accountability and safety, ethical and responsible journalism, good journalism as a public good, and strategic engagements with various sectors in the community, including the local government units, government agencies, and law enforcers. **(PTFOMS)**

PAGCOR WARNS PUBLIC VS. ILLEGAL OFFSHORE GAMING SITES

MANILA – President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. has designated former Philippine Basketball Association (PBA) chairperson Patrick Gregorio as the new head of the Philippine Sports Commission (PSC), Malacañang announced on Saturday.

Executive Secretary Lucas Bersamin confirmed in a text message that Gregorio will be replacing Richard Bachmann, a former PBA player who was appointed to the top PSC post in December 2022.

Bersamin did not divulge as to when Gregorio, currently president of the Philippine

Rowing Association, would assume his new stint.

Malacañang did not release a copy of Gregorio’s appointment paper.

Gregorio also served as executive director of the Basketball Association of the Philippines (now Samahang Basketbol ng Pilipinas) and governor of Talk ‘N Text in the PBA, where he was chair in the 40th season (2014-2015).

On the corporate side, he is head of Landco Lifestyle Ventures, which oversees the operations of Camp John Hay legacy hotels. **(PNA)**

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IN THE MATTER OF PETITION FOR THE
SETTLEMENT OF THE INTESTATE ESTATE
OF MARCELO CRISOSTOMO NARCISO

SP. Case No. 25-02440-CV
For: Intestate Proceedings

FELICITACION MARCELO-CRISOSTOMO,
IN PRESENTATION OF THE ESTATE OF RUBEN
CRISOSTOMO, AS REPRESENTED BY
MARLYN CRISOSTOMO CHICO
X ----- X

ORDER

Acting on the verified Petition for Intestate Proceedings filed by the Petitioner Felicitation Marcelo-Crisostomo as represented by Marlyn Crisostomo Chico through their counsel and finding the same to be sufficient in form and substance, set this case for hearing on **May 30, 2025 at 10:00 in the morning** at which date, place and hour, the named heirs and any interested person may appear and show cause, if there be any reason why said petition should/should not be granted.

Let copies of this order be furnished the designated or other known heirs, devisees, legatees and executors of the testator pursuant to Sec. 4 Rule 76 of the Revised Rules of Court.

Likewise, let a copy of this order be published in a newspaper general circulation once a week for three (3) consecutive weeks in compliance with Sec. 3, Rule 76 of the same rules at the expense of the petitioner.

Petitioner is likewise DIRECTED to proceed to the Office of the Clerk of Court, Metropolitan Trial Court (MeTC), Manila for calendar of rattle of newspaper for publication.

SO ORDERED.
Manila, 28 March 2025.

(Sgd.)
MINERVA M. ALEJANDRIA-BAUTISTA
Presiding Judge

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M-MNL-25-02440-CV
For: Intestate Proceedings

FELICITACION MARCELO-CRISOSTOMO,
IN PRESENTATION OF THE ESTATE OF RUBEN
CRISOSTOMO, AS REPRESENTED BY
MARLYN CRISOSTOMO CHICO
X ----- X

ORDER

For resolution of the Court is an "Urgent Motion to Reschedule Hearing (with issuance of Subsequent Notice of Hearing)" filed by the petitioners through counsel Atty. Jason R. Migriño.

In said Motion, Atty. Migriño, among others, alleges that petitioners failed to coordinate with the Office of the Clerk of Court of Manila for the schedule of raffle of the accredited newspaper for the publication of their Petition under the Order of the Court dated 28 March 2025, since petitioners are still raising funds needed for publication. Atty. Migrino further alleged that he had a prior commitment and could not appear at the scheduled hearing on 30 May 2025 at 8:30 in the morning.

ACCORDINGLY, the instant Motion is hereby GRANTED. Let the hearing of this case be reset to **27 June 2025 at 8:30 in the morning**.

Send notices to the petitioners and their counsel.

SO ORDERED.
Manila, 16 May 2025.

(Sgd.)
MINERVA M. ALEJANDRIA-BAUTISTA
Presiding Judge

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THE SENTINEL POST
June 17, 24 and July 1, 2025

PAPI ELECTS ITS NEW BOARD FOR 2025-2028

MANILA, PHILIPPINES — One of the country’s largest and oldest media organizations representing the publishing sector, the Publisher’s Association of the Philippines Inc. (PAPI), has elected its new set of board members last June 24, 2025, at the National Press Club in Intramuros, Manila.

The newly elected officials are now-President, Rebecca M. Velasquez (former executive vice president), publisher of Pulso ng Makabagong Caviten; Executive Vice President, Ian Junio, publisher of Hyperland News Publishing; Re-elected Vice President for Luzon, Alma Omilig Ochotorena, publisher of News Syndicate Digest; Vice President for Visayas, Danilo N. Silvestre (former board of director for Visayas), publisher of Balita Tirador Publication; Vice President for Mindanao, Anila Anne B. Acosta (former board of director for Mindanao), publisher of Mindanao Expose; Secretary Reyland Lopez, publisher of Unang Milenyo News Publishing Center; Re-elected Treasurer, Leonida Pascua Cardona, publisher of People’s Monitor Publication; Auditor, May Ann Reyla, publisher of City View Publishing; Re-elected Board of Director for Luzon, Eduardo Cardona, publisher of Rizal Voice Publication, and Dina Diaz, publisher of Tarlac Insider Weekly Newspaper; Board of Director for Visayas, Giecel Albar, publisher of Akeanon News Publishing Services; and Re-elected Board of Director for Mindanao Elpedio Bermas Soriano Jr., publisher of Eagles Journal and Joseph Denmark Miranda Avila, publisher of Peryodista Publications.

Held concurrently with its national elections and the mid-year general assembly, bearing the theme

‘Fighting Fake News as a United Mission,’ National Press Club President Leoniel Abasola, Dr. Lily Lim, and the Presidential Task Force on Media Security (PTFoMS) Undersecretary, Joe Torres Jr. extended their message of support towards the organization, expressing their immense gratitude to PAPI for their enduring partnership over the years.

In his speech, Torres ensured that the status of the late-Chairman Emeritus of PAPI, Juan “Johnny” P. Dayang Sr., is taken into careful investigation to obtain justice in its right order. Dayang was shot and killed in the evening of April 29 by now-identified gunmen at his house in Kalibo, Aklan, where he served as its former officer-in-charge mayor after the 1986 Philippine Revolution.

Additionally, veteran broadcast journalist and re-appointed Secretary of the Presidential Communication Office (PCO), Jay Ruiz, showed his full support to the outgoing President, Nelson Santos, and PAPI by attending the event and delivered a speech that empowered wise and critical decisions among the publishers in the age of digital media and the need to forge a collaborative effort in fighting relentlessly with fake news, hence imposing penalties to fake news peddlers.

“Kailangan tayo magkaisa, labanan natin itong fake news, at i-impose na dapat sila rin magbayad ng buwis, magkaroon [ng] kahit na papaano regulasyon o pananagutan kung yung plataporma mo ay nagagamit sa fake news,” Ruiz mentioned.

“Maganda po yung relationship ng PAPI at ng PCO, at ‘yan po ay magpapatuloy habang nandito po kami. Tiyak po ‘yan. Kasi nais naming ipa-abot sa mamama-

yang Pilipino – hindi lang dito sa Metro Manila, kundi sa buong Pilipinas na ang gobyernong Marcos ay para sa tao. Magtulungan po tayong ipa-abot ang mga programa, aktibidades, at mga polisiya ng gobyerno,” he added.

Hence, alongside the assembly and elections, PAPI then paid tribute to the 90th birthday of Dayang where his son, Consul General to Turkey Juan “Jed” Dayang Jr., expressed his heartfelt thanks to the organization through a video message emphasizing that remembering is not enough – if his father were truly honored, shall the memories, contributions, and the legacy left by his father, not only with the organization, but also all over the country that had

helped flourish the press freedom, must be carried forward.

“He believed that journalism was never about comfort, it is about courage. So I ask of you now, let’s not reduce his death to a headline, let’s not treat this tribute as a farewell – let it be a signal, a challenge, a commitment to speak when it is dangerous, to write when it is unpopular, to never trade truth for access, or silence for safety,” Dayang said.

In high hopes for the new board members, Jed Dayang also mentioned in his video to continue fighting for press freedom, and moving forward, as their family will always be there to support the organization, just like what his father used to do.

The newly elected officials are set to take office after their oath-taking, which is yet to be announced by the new board, and will serve until 2028. **(Binsoy Velasquez)**

PBBM SWEARS IN NEW CUSTOMS CHIEF



President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. has sworn in Ariel F. Nepomuceno as the new Commissioner of the Bureau of Customs (BOC), the government agency tasked to intensify efforts to combat smuggling and illicit trade.

Before his appointment, Nepomuceno served as executive director of the National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council and undersecretary of the Office of Civil Defense.

As the country’s principal border protection and trade facilitation agency under the Department of Finance, the BOC plays a vital role in generating revenue, ensuring national security, and promoting economic stability.

While initially established to collect duties and taxes, the bureau has evolved into a critical institution dedicated to combating illegal trade, promoting legitimate commerce, and enhancing border control.

President Marcos’ marching or-

der for the BOC is to safeguard the country’s borders and ensure transparency and efficiency in revenue collection.

Nepomuceno is not new to the BOC, as he had previously held positions within the agency, including assistant commissioner of the Post Clearance Audit Group from December 2017 to April 2018 and deputy commissioner of the Enforcement Group from December 2013 to February 2017.

He also served as director and CEO of the Office of Civil Defense under the Department of National Defense from December 2012 to March 2013, and as a consultant at the Office of the President in 2003.

In the early 2000s, he held executive positions at Food Terminal Inc. and Avalon Pacific Corporation, where he started his career as vice president for operations in 1997.

Most recently, since 2019, Nepomuceno served as chairman and CEO of Malayan Pacific Power Holdings Corporation. **(PND)**



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BY: PASTOR PETER JOHN F. CO

GOD’S WORD POWERFULLY BEGINS HIS WORK

Ezekiel 37:7-10

When weakness reveals man’s futility, we often try to resolve it on our own. Only when we’re pinned in a corner do we cry out to God. While it is good to come to Him, running to Him as a last resort reveals a lack of understanding of the power of His Word.

In our passage, the prophet Ezekiel was given a vision—an image of bones in a valley, symbolizing Israel’s condition. Their nation was conquered, their king defeated, blinded, and left to die in Babylon. Many of their countrymen had been slaughtered. Israel was bone dry with hopelessness.

God asked Ezekiel, “Can these bones live?” His answer showed that he recognized God as the resurrection and the life. Then God explained what would happen—and it began with His Word.

Verse 7 uses “behold” twice to draw special attention to what is happening—where the Word of God begins its work to bring life. This proves that God’s Word cannot contradict His work because God has all knowledge and all power to fulfill His Word through His actions. God does not doubt, nor does He change His words.

When God created everything, He spoke and it came to be. He did not collect things to make things, but He decreed and it was. God is also recreating the heart of those dead so that they will believe.

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God’s Word is like the sun to the earth. Without it, the earth would be cold and lifeless chaos. The sun gives light, warmth and order—just as God’s Word gives clarity, meaning, and sustains all things. Without it, life would be like wandering in a cold, dark void—nothing would grow, nothing would make sense, and everything would fall apart.

Ask yourself: Do you begin your day in the Word of God? Or do you wait for God’s work without valuing His Word? Depend on the Word of God, and recognize its importance to give true life—even to someone who seems to be alive on the outside. Make it your daily breath.

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IN RE: IN THE MATTER OF
PETITION FOR
CANCELLATION/CORRECTION OF
ENTRY IN THE CERTIFICATE OF
MARRIAGE,

MINNA S. SEDILLA,

Petitioner,

-versus-

SPEC. PROC. No. R-MNL-25-04371-SP
FOR: Petition for Correction of Entry of the
Second Certificate of Marriage

JOSE R. TORIO, THE LOCAL CIVIL
REGISTRAR OF MANILA CITY,
OFFICE OF THE CIVIL REGISTRAR
GENERAL OF THE PHILIPPINE
STATISTICS AUTHORITY, OFFICE
OF THE SOLICITOR GENERAL,
AND ALL OTHER PERSONS WHO
MAY HAVE INTEREST.

Respondents.

x ----- x

ORDER

Before this Court is a Petition filed by **MINNA S. SEDILLA** praying that after due publication and hearing, a Decision be rendered ordering the Local Civil Registrar of Manila to Cancel the Certificate of Marriage of MINNA S. SEDILLA and JOSE R. TORIO dated 02 July 1996 and to order the Office of the Civil Registrar General of the Philippine Statistics Authority to correct the Marriage Records of MINNA S. SEDILLA by deleting the second marriage with JOSE R. TORIO.

WHEREFORE, finding the Petition to be sufficient in form, let the same be set for hearing on **01 September 2025 at 10:00 in the morning** before this Court sitting on the **6th Floor of Philippine Passenger Line (PPL) Building, United Nations Avenue corner San Marcelino Street, Paco, 1007 Manila** at which date and time any person having or claiming any interest, under the entry sought to be changed, may file their *Opposition* thereto and appear and show cause, if any, why the *Petition* should not be granted.

Let a copy of this Order be published **once a week for three (3) consecutive weeks** at the expense of the Petitioner in a newspaper of general circulation in the City of Manila determined by a raffle pursuant to P.D. 1079.

Furnish the Office of the Solicitor General, Philippine Statistics Authority, and Office of the City Civil Registrar of the City of Manila of this *Order* and the *Petition* together with its Annexes.

SO ORDERED.

City of Manila, Philippines, 03 June 2025.

Served Delivered by:

(Sgd.)
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Presiding Judge

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RODOLFO L. SALCEDO,
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-versus-

ANTONIO C. KEH, GINA A. PEÑA,
ROMULO L. SALCEDO and REGISTER
OF DEEDS OF CALOOCAN CITY,
Defendants..
x ----- x

CIVIL CASE NO. 24-32344

For: Annulment of Real Estate Mortgage, Extrajudicial Foreclosure of Real Estate Mortgage, and all related entries in favor or the Mortgagee-Creditor with Prayer for Damages

ORDER

Called for Initial presentation of plaintiffs evidence, the following appeared: Plaintiff's counsel Atty. Mark Bryant Y. Gabon, plaintiff Rodolfo L. Salcedo, Defendant Antonio Keh's representative in the person of Rosario Gabada and Romulo S. Salcedo and defendant's Antonio Keh counsel Atty. Emmanuel M. Basa, Branch Clerk of Court Atty. Maria Theresa C. Gonzales, Court Interpreter Eptesam Tirante and Court stenographer, Jocelyn A. Evangelista.

NOTED is the Affidavit of Publication filed by Rochelle Fullero Pangan stating that the Summons dated 11 March 2024 directing defendant Gina Pena to file an answer within thirty (30) days has been published in Saksi on May 19, 26 and June 2,2025.

Counsel for defendant Antonio Keh, Atty. Basa, objected to the publication of said summons considering that defendant Gina Pena was given 60 days within which to file an answer per this court's Order dated 27 August 2024.

Finding the manifestation of Atty. Basa to be well-taken, this court deems it proper to order the publication of the correct summons by Publication to defendant Gina Pena.

ACCORDINGLY, the Branch Clerk of Court is **DIRECTED** to issue Summons by Publication directing defendant Gina Pena to file an answer within sixty (60) days from last issuance of the newspaper of general circulation.

Plaintiff is **DIRECTED** to cause the publication of the Summons by Publication in his own expense.

Let the initial of presentation of the plaintiff's evidence and pre-trial conference with respect to defendant Gina Pena be **RESET on 23 September 2025 at 8:30 a.m.**

Plaintiff and his counsel are **DIRECTED** to file a *Notice of Appearance* in containing their valid e-mail addresses in accordance with Section 4(a) of A.M. Nos.10-3-7-SC/11-9-4-SC, within five (5) days from notice.

SO ORDERED.

10 June 2025, Caloocan City.

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OF DEEDS OF CALOOCAN CITY,
Defendants..
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CIVIL CASE NO. 24-32344

For: Annulment of Real Estate Mortgage, Extrajudicial Foreclosure of Real Estate Mortgage, and all related entries in favor or the Mortgagee-Creditor with Prayer for Damages

SUMMON BY PUBLICATION

TO: GINA A. PEÑA
- #10 Ipil Street, Executive Village, Pasig City, Metro Manila;
- B-718 Genesis Royal, Cainta, Rizal

GREETINGS:

In accordance with this Court's Order dated 10 June 2025, you are hereby required to file with this Court and serve on the plaintiff your **ANSWER** to the complaint, within sixty (60) days from the last issue of publication hereof.

Please be guided of the following:

PRINCIPAL GROUND OF THE COMPLAINT:

Annulment of Real Estate Mortgage, Extrajudicial Foreclosure of Real Estate Mortgage, and all related entries in favor of the Mortgagee-Creditor with Prayer for Damages.

I. First cause of action: For Declaration of Nullity of Promissory Note and Real Estate Mortgage.

II. Second cause of action: For Declaration of Nullity of Extrajudicial Foreclosure.

III. Third cause of action: For Declaration of Nullity of the Registration.

RELIEFS PRAYED FOR:

(i) **DECLARE** the Real Estate Mortgage dated May 27 2019 **INVALID, NULL AND VOID** from the very beginning for being forged, fictitious and wholly simulated contract;

(ii) **DECLARE** plaintiff RODOLFO LANSANG SALCEDO, being the son and lawful heir of LEONARA LANSANG, be the true and lawful owner of the subject property;

(iii) **ORDER** the Register of Deeds of Caloocan City to Cancel the Title issued under the name of defendant ANTONIO C. KEH under TCT No. 001-2022002041.

(iv) **ORDER** the Register of Deeds of Caloocan City to reconvey the title in favor of the plaintiff RODOLFO LANSANG SALCEDO;

(v) **ORDER** the defendants to turn-over the possession of the subject property to the plaintiff as the true and absolute owner of the property; and

(vi) **ORDER** defendants to pay, jointly and severally, plaintiff moral damages of P50,000.00; exemplary damages of P50,000.00

Other just and equitable reliefs are likewise prayed for.

WITNESS THE **HON. ROXANNE MARIE A. MENDOZA**, Metropolitan Trial Court, Presiding Judge, this **10th day of June 2025.**

(Sgd.)
MARIA THERESA C. GONZALES
Branch Clerk of Court

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OVER 30K MAKATI ELDERLY, PWDS RECEIVE FREE MULTIVITAMINS, MAINTENANCE MEDS

QUEZON CITY, (PIA)—The Makati City government is providing free multivitamins and maintenance medications to over 30,000 senior citizens and persons with disabilities.

Outgoing Mayor Abby Binay said over the weekend that the expanded medical service program would benefit 15,149 senior citizens aged 60-69 and 15,748 registered persons with disabilities.

“They will receive full doses of essential medications through Planet Drugstores at health centers, Ospital ng Makati, and Makati Life Medical Center,” she said.

Previously, only senior citizens 70 and older were entitled to receive full doses of maintenance medications. The rest of the beneficiaries, including those under 70, persons with disabilities, and city government employees, received half a month’s supply.

Binay said the enhanced program is a major step forward in her administration’s commitment to providing accessible healthcare to vulnerable residents.

During her nine-year term, Ospital ng Makati reported nearly 5 million free healthcare interactions delivered to almost 2 million pa-

tients.

The initiative builds on Makati’s established healthcare infrastructure, including Ospital ng Makati’s 92% recovery rate and comprehensive services that have treated nearly 2 million patients.

Makati’s healthcare programs have delivered life-saving services to thousands, including 32,951 patients who received dialysis treatment through the Unli Dialysis program and 11,364 cancer patients who received treatment through the subsidized Ambulatory Chemotherapy Program. **(JEG/PIA-NCR)**

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BANK OF COMMERCE,
Mortgagee,

-versus-

FORECLOSURE NO.:
FRE No. 2025-063

NESTOR L. LABIS represented by
Attorney-in-Fact, CHERRYBEL A. LABIS

Mortgagors.

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VERIFIED PETITION FOR EXTRA
JUDICIAL FORECLOSURE OF
REAL ESTATE MORTGAGE UNDER
3135 AS AMENDED BY ACT 4118

NOTICE OF EXTRA-JUDICIAL SALE

UPON Verified Petition for Extra-Judicial Foreclosure of Real Estate Mortgage under Act 3135 as amended, filed by Petitioner/Mortgagee BANK OF COMMERCE with principal office address at San Miguel Properties Centre, No. 7 St. Francis Street, Mandaluyong City, against Respondents/Mortgagors NESTOR L. LABIS represented by his Attorney-In-Fact, CHERRYBEL A. LABIS with postal addresses at (1) UNIT NO. 1108 MALDIVES, THE AZURE URBAN RESORT RESIDENCES. KM. 16 WEST SERVICES ROAD SOUTH LUZON EXPRESSWAY, BARANGAY MARCELO GREEN, PARAÑAQUE CITY (2) BLOCK 2, LOT 2, SALINGLAHI CONGRESSIONAL EXTENSION, BRGY. CULIAT, QUEZON CITY 1128 to satisfy the mortgage indebtedness which as of 16 MAY 2025 still has the outstanding obligation of **FOUR MILLION SEVEN HUNDRED TWO THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED NINETY-TWO PESOS AND 10/100 (P4,702,792.10.)** the Clerk of Court and Ex-Officio Sheriff, Regional Trial Court, Parañaque City Metro Manila, thru his duly authorized Deputy Sheriff, will sell at public auction on **AUGUST 12, 2025** at 10:00 in the morning or soon thereafter but not later than 04:00 in the afternoon at the Lobby Ground Floor, Main Entrance, City Hall Building, Parañaque City, Metro Manila, to the highest bidder, for CASH or MANAGER'S CHECK, and in Philippine Currency, the following property, with all its improvements/s, to wit;

Condominium Certificate of Title

No. **010-2018005302**

(Republic Act No. 4726)

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED that the unit identified and described as:

AZURE URBAN RESORT RESIDENCES
MALDIVES TOWER

117H FLOOR
UNIT 1108
FINAL AREA : 32.24

In the diagrammatic floor plan appended to the enabling or master deed of the condominium project annotated on TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE 2015003761 which embraces and describes the land located at BARANGAY OF LA HUERTA CITY OF PARAÑAQUE METRO MANILA with an area of THREE THOUSAND SIXTY-ONE (3,061) Square Meter, is registered in the name of:

Owner: NESTOR LAGROSAS LABIS, SINGLE, OF LEGAL AGE, FILIPINO CITIZEN

Address:19 NATIONAL HIGHWAY, NAAWAN, MISAMIS ORIENTAL, PHILIPPINES

and

CERTIFICATE OF OWNERSHIP

Parking Slot No. 04, Basement Level 2, with an area of 12.50 s.q. Meters, Azure Urban Resort Residences situated along West Avenue, South Luzon Express Road, Barangay Marcelo Green, Parañaque City.

xxx NOTHING FOLLOWS xxx

ALL sealed bids must be submitted to the undersigned on the above-stated date and time and will be publicly opened before 04:00 in the afternoon at the venue of the auction.

If the public auction should not take place on the said date, it shall be held on **AUGUST 19, 2025** at the same place without further notice.

INTERESTED PARTY/ES and prospective buyer/s are/are enjoined to investigate for themselves the titles/s of the mortgaged property/ies and the encumbrance/s thereon if any there be.

CITY OF PARAÑAQUE, Metro Manila, Philippines, 13 May 2025.

PREPARED AND VERIFIED BY:

(Sgd.)
JAIME G. BANIAS, JR.
DEPUTY SHERIFF
RTC, PARAÑAQUE CITY

(Sgd.)
ATTY. HECTOR C. SILVA
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MARILYN A. GENOVA-SIGRIST

Petitioner

Civil Case No. 23-02892-CV

-versus-

JOHANN FRANZ PAUL SIGRIST
a.k.a. JOHN HANS PAUL SIGRIST

Respondent.

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DECISION

WHEREFORE, premises considered, the Court:

- GRANTS** the instant Petition;
- DECLARES** the marriage contracted between the petitioner **MARILYN A. GENOVA- SIGRIST** and respondent **JOHANN FRANZ PAUL SIGRIST a.k.a. JOHN HANS PAUL SIGRIST** on 12 March 1988 in the City of Caloocan, Philippines as **NULL AND VOID AB INITIO** for being bigamous pursuant to Article 35, paragraph 4 of the Family Code, as amended;
- DIRECTS** the Local Civil Registrar of the City of Caloocan and the Philippine Statistics Authority to REGISTER the declaration made in the instant Decision, and to issue the necessary certificate with this judgment annotated therein;

Finally, in compliance with Section 19 of A.M. NO. 02-11-10-SC, the Decree of Nullity of Marriage shall be issued by this Court only after the parties have complied with Articles 50 and 51 of the Family Code.

Thereafter, the petitioner shall **CAUSE** the registration of the Decree in the Civil Registry where the marriage was registered, the Civil Registry of the place where the Family Court is situated, and in the National Census and Statistics Office (now Philippine Statistics Authority). The petitioner shall **REPORT** to the Court compliance with the requirements within **thirty (30)** days from receipt of the copy of the Decree.

Finally, let a copy of this Decision be **FURNISHED** all parties concerned, as well as **PUBLISHED** in a newspaper of general circulation once (1), selected by raffle, at the expense of the petitioner.

SO ORDERED.

Manila, Philippines, 27 May 2025.

(Sgd.)
JAMES T. SY
Acting Presiding Judge

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IN THE MATTER OF THE JUDICIAL
SETTLEMENT OF THE ESTATE OF
TATSURO IWAHORI with PRAYER
FOR ISSUANCE OF LETTER
ADMINISTRATION,

MAYETTE EROLIN IWAHORI,
Petitioner,

SP PROC NO.
M-MNL-25-01575-CV

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ORDER

When this case was called for hearing, petitioner's counsel Atty. Jot P. Jacosalem is present.

Petitioner's counsel manifested that last June 16, 2025, he was able to coordinate with the publisher designated by raffle in the instant case, particularly the Sentinel Post, as the request for raffle was issued by the Branch Clerk of Court only on June 11, 2025. Due to time constraint, the petitioner has not yet complied with the publication requirement as provided in the Order dated May 26, 2025. In view thereof, and to give the other parties sufficient notice, petitioner's counsel requested a period within which to comply with the publication requirement as well as the resetting of today's hearing. He also sought the reiteration of the Order dated May 26, 2025 regarding publication.

Finding merit therein, it is hereby reiterated that the petition in the instant case is sufficient in form and substance. Thus, let this case be set for hearing (on jurisdictional requirements and opposition, if any) on **August 8, 2025 at 8:30 o'clock in the morning before this Court located at 7th Floor Parkview Plaza Building, T.M. Kalaw Street corner Taft Avenue, Ermita, Manila**, at which place and on which date and time, any person who has objections to the petition may appear and file his or her opposition thereto.

Pursuant to Section 3, Rule 79, and Sections 3 and 4, Rule 76 of the Rules of Court, let a copy of this Order be published, at the expense of the petitioner, once a week for three (3) consecutive weeks in The Sentinel Post, a newspaper of general circulation throughout the Philippines, chosen by raffle by the Office of the Clerk of Court, Metropolitan Trial Court (MeTC), Manila.

Further, let a copy of this Order and the Petition, with its annexes, be served personally or by registered mail upon the known heirs, legatees and devisees, creditors of the deceased Tatsuro Iwahori, at their respective addresses.

Given in open Court, this 27th day of June 2025, Manila, Philippines.

(Sgd.)
SHEILA MARIE V. SISON-JAVIER
Acting Presiding Judge
(Pursuant to A.O. No. 86-2025)

Copy furnished:

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PAG-IBIG OFFERS 4PH HOUSING TO CIVIL SERVANTS

QUEZON CITY, (PIA)—The Philippine Information Agency hosted a program on Monday, where Pag-IBIG Fund officials shared updates on their housing projects, including the 4PH (Pambansang Pabahay Para sa Pilipino) Program.

Pag-IBIG Fund's Institutional Housing Department Chief Engr. Enrique Consuelo discussed the 4PH Program, a government flagship housing project aimed at providing affordable homes to Filipino workers, particularly low-income and informal sector workers.

Consuelo said that to be eligible for the 4PH, individuals must be "Pag-IBIG members with at least 24 months of contributions, have no existing housing loan or foreclosed Pag-IBIG property, and have the capacity to pay."

"Priority may be given to government employees, overseas Filipino workers, and vulnerable sectors," he said.

Consuelo encouraged government employees to participate in "group bidding," a process where multiple entities collaborate to submit a project proposal for the 4PH Program.



This can be done regionally or across the entire country.

The 4PH Program is a significant step towards providing safe, decent, and affordable homes for all Filipinos. Consuelo emphasized the lasting benefits of owning a home with government assistance.

Pag-IBIG Fund plays a crucial role in financing housing loans, supporting President Marcos' goal of zero informal settlements by 2028.

For more information on the 4PH Program, visit the Pag-IBIG Fund website at <https://www.pagibigfund.gov.ph/>. **(JVD/PIA-NCR/ With reports from Jea Rome Aguilar / University of Caloocan City trainee)**

MIXED RESULTS MARK TREASURY BILLS AUCTION

MANILA – Results were mixed during the Treasury bills (T-bills) auction on Monday as the Auction Committee decided to fully award bids for the 180- and 364-day T-bills while partially awarding the 91-day security.

Average rates for the 180- and 364-day T-bills fell below prevailing secondary market rates, settling at 5.607 percent and 5.651 percent, respectively.

The 91-day security, meanwhile, was capped at an average of 5.526 percent.

Last week, the average rate of the 91-, 182-, and 364-day T-bills settled at 5.530 percent, 5.557 percent, and 5.655 percent, respectively.

"The Treasury bill average auction yields were most-

ly corrected marginally lower by -0.004 for the 91-day and 364-day tenors, except for the +0.05 weekly rise in the 182-day tenor, after global crude oil prices declined to the lowest in more than 2 weeks and erased all of the world oil price increase since the Israel-Iran conflict started amid the tentative ceasefire between the two countries as announced by Trump," Rizal Commercial Banking Corporation chief economist Michael Ricafort said.

The auction was 2.3 times oversubscribed, with total tenders reaching PHP57.7 billion.

With its decision, the Committee was able to raise PHP24 billion out of the PHP25 billion planned offering. **(PNA)**

TSP SHOWBIZ ROUND-UP

MARIAN RIVERA
BEST ACTRESS FOR 'BALOTA' BY 53RD
GUILLERMO MENDOZA BOX OFFICE AWARDS



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Liked by dongdantes and others
marianrivera Absolutely thrilled to have won Best Actress for Balota! 🏆 A huge thank you to Direk Kip for your brilliant vision and guidance—this wouldn't have been possible without you. To the incredible cast and crew, your support means the world! Here's to many more stories to tell! 🌟 #GuillermoBoxOffice #53rdAwards less

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RYZZA MAE DIZON
GRADUATES FROM SENIOR HIGH



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MIKAEL DAEZ AND MEGAN YOUNG
FIRST "WE TIME" DATE AFTER BEING
A MOM AND DAD



meganbata SEVENTEEN • Bad Influence (Prod. by Pharrell Willi...
meganbata Mom and Dad's first date out! We decided to celebrate our new chapter as parents by celebrating each other also need to keep taking care of Leon day in and day out but we also need to keep nourishing and taking care of our bond as husband and wife. Love that we could have this time together, also celebrating with family. @sandrodaze and @antet.bea (who was also celebrating her birthday!) 🥰 thankful for the help that we got last night to watch Leon at home while we were out for a couple of hours!! So excited to bring him out of the house and to let him explore pag ready na 🥰 less

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Rare privilege to host FIVB
worlds, says Vinny Marcos



PH HOSTS FIVB WORLDS. Presidential son William Vincent Marcos (2nd from left) attends the “Spike For A Cause” fundraising dinner for the FIVB Volleyball Men’s World Championship and fashion show at Foro de Intramuros in Manila on Saturday (June 28, 2025). Also on stage are (from left) Philippine National Volleyball Federation and Asian Volleyball Confederation president Ramon Suzara, Senator Pia Cayetano, Science and Technology Secretary Renato Solidum, Rebisco Corp. president Geronimo Kamus Jr., Honda representative Hiroaki Nakamura and Senator Alan Peter Cayetano.

MANILA – The Philippines takes pride in hosting the FIVB Volleyball Men’s World Championship (FIVB MWCH) as the tournament provides an opportunity to show the world that the country is part of the international field.

“It is a rare privilege to host such a world event especially the country’s popular sports, like volleyball, and I am happy to see a lot of people who are very interested in volleyball. I am very thankful to all of you, for all your all-out support,” presidential son William Vincent Marcos said in his speech at the “Spike for a Cause” fundraising dinner and fashion show at Foro de Intramuros in Manila Saturday night.

Proceeds of the event will support the national men’s team Alas Pilipinas and the country’s hosting of the 32-nation FIVB Men’s World Championship on Sept. 12 to 28. Matches will be held at Smart Araneta Coliseum in Quezon City and Mall of Asia Arena in Pasay City.

Marcos co-chairs the FIVB MWCH Local Organizing Committee with Senator Allan Peter Cayetano and Tourism Secretary Christina Frasco.

The chairpersons, Senators Pia Cayetano and Mark Villar, Science and Technology Secretary Renato Solidum, Rebisco Corp. president Geronimo Kamus Jr. and Honda representative Hiroaki Nakamura attended the event, along with Alas Pilipinas members.

“Hosting the world championship is a perfect fit for nation building, for a better community, and hosting leads to discipline, sacrifice and teamwork,” Senator Alan Peter Cayetano said in his speech.

Philippine National Volleyball Federation and Asian Volleyball Confederation president Ramon Suzara thanked First Lady Liza Araneta-Marcos, stakeholders, the business industry and other individuals who are supporting the event.

“Our purpose, our vision, as how chairperson Vinny Marcos mentioned, is to capitalize on the transformative power of sports. Every match that Alas Pilipinas plays is a fight for each Filipino, for a Bagong Pilipinas (New Philippines),” Suzara, who also serves as Asian Volleyball Confederation president, said. (PNA)



Strong Group taps 2 imports to
complete Jones Cup team



REINFORCEMENT. Ulaanbaatar Xac guard Ian Miller will play for Strong Group-Pilipinas in the 44th edition of the William Jones Cup scheduled from July 12 to 20, 2025 in Taiwan. He was named MVP award for leading the Broncos to the Basketball Champions League Asia-East (BCL Asia-East) to victory last May. (FIBA photo)

MANILA – Strong Group has tapped two reinforcements from the Asian basketball circuit to boost the country’s title-retention bid in the 44th William Jones Cup next month.

Filipino-Spanish Javi Gomez de Liano and American Ian Miller complete the roster of Strong Group-Pilipinas in the tournament scheduled from July 12 to 20 at the Xinzhuang Gymnasium in New Taipei City, Taiwan.

“These are excellent additions to our team. Javi and Ian bring high-level experience and versatility. They’ll really complement the core group we already have,” head coach Charles Tiu said in a press statement Monday.

The 26-year-old Gomez de Liano is entering his second season with the Anyang Jung Kwan Jang Red Boosters in the Korean Basketball League. The 6-foot-5 swingman posted averages of 8.4 points, 2.7 rebounds, and shot 41.7 percent from the three-point line.

“Javi and I go way back. He played for me during the 2019 Du-

bai tournament with Mighty Sports, so it’s great to reunite with him. I know what he brings to the table –toughness, shooting, and professionalism,” Tiu said.

The 6-foot-3 Miller was named MVP for leading Mongolia’s Ulaanbaatar Xac Broncos to the title in the Basketball Champions League Asia (BCL)-East division last May. He averaged 17.9 points on 44.1 percent shooting, alongside 2.6 rebounds and 5.6 assists.

“He’s coming off an impressive run in BCL Asia, so we’re excited to bring that firepower to our backcourt,” Tiu said.

Gomez de Liano and Miller will join the Strong Group lineup that includes Andre Roberson, Kiefer Ravena, Jason Brickman, Dave Ildefonso, Rhenz Abando, Angelo Kouame, Geo Chiu, DJ Fenner, Tajuan Agee, and Allen Liwag.

The Strong Group Athletics will face Chinese-Taipei A on July 13, followed by matchups against Japan’s Under-25 team, Qatar, Australia, Chinese-Taipei B, Malaysia, Bahrain, and UAE. (PNA)

Senator says sports instill nation-building values in youth

MANILA – A fundraising dinner and fashion show in support of Alas Pilipinas and the country’s hosting of the FIVB Men’s World Championship in September was held at Foro de Intramuros Saturday night.

Senator Alan Peter Cayetano, co-chairperson of the local organizing committee (LOC) and chair emeritus of the Philippine National Volleyball Federation, said sports is one of the most powerful tools for shaping the values that build a strong

nation.

Presidential son William Vincent Marcos, Tourism Secretary Christina Frasco and the incoming Philippine Sports Commission chief, Patrick Gregorio, are the other LOC chairpersons.

Senator Pia Cayetano, Philippine Olympic Committee president Abraham Tolentino and sports patron Manuel V. Pangilinan make up the LOC board.

“Tonight is not only about giving thanks. It’s also about nation-building,” Cayetano said in his speech at the “Spike for a Cause”

event.

“Every single value that we want for our nation is found in sports -- teamwork, discipline, sacrifice.”

He stressed that the values go beyond athletics and are vital for families, schools, and communities.

“From the youngest age, we teach our children that in family and in business, there should be teamwork. In sports, it’s a given,” he said.

Cayetano pointed to sports as a powerful alternative for the youth, particularly in the fight against drugs.

He acknowledged

Marcos and other partners -- from business to fashion -- who share a common goal.

“Whether it’s the SEA (Southeast Asian) Games, basketball or volleyball, we will showcase the best of the Filipino,” he said, urging prayers for peace and the tournament’s success.

A total of 32 countries, including host Philippines, are participating in the world championship to be held at Smart Araneta Coliseum in Quezon City and Mall of Asia Arena in Pasay City. (PNA)



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