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## REMINDER AND NOTICE

To: **All members of the Integrated Bar of the Philippines (IBP)**

From: Mandatory Continuing Legal Education (MCLE) Board/Office

RE: Compliance with the MCLE for the 6<sup>th</sup> Compliance Period

The 6<sup>th</sup> Compliance Period (April 15, 2016 to April 14, 2019) of the MCLE as mandated under Bar Matter No. 850 ended on 14 April 2019. Relative thereto, all members of the Integrated Bar of the Philippines (IBP) are reminded to update their MCLE compliance to remain in good standing as members thereof.

For those with grounds for exemption under Rule 7 (Exemptions), Sections 1, 2 and 3, please file your Attestation/Application for Exemption. For those who have completed the required number of units but have not filed their Attorney's MCLE Compliance Report, please submit the same to the MCLE Office for the issuance of your certificates.

Please be informed that pursuant to MCLE Governing Board Resolution No. 06 - 2019 as approved by the Supreme Court in a Resolution dated 08 October 2019 (A.M. No. 19-10-09), the Notice of Non-Compliance with the MCLE as provided in Rule 12<sup>1</sup>, Section 2<sup>2</sup>, Bar Matter No. 850 sent to all lawyers who are considered non-compliant as enumerated in Rule 12, Section 1 (What constitutes non-compliance) shall be done by publication in newspapers of general circulation and shall be considered sufficient notice to all concerned.

Further, Rule 13 (Consequences of Non-Compliance), Section 2 (Listing as delinquent member) provides that – “A member who fails to comply with the MCLE after the sixty (60) day period for compliance has expired, shall be listed as a delinquent member of the IBP upon recommendation of the MCLE Committee<sup>3</sup>. x x x.”

The names of lawyers who are non-compliant with the MCLE up to the 6<sup>th</sup> compliance period shall be automatically generated by the system from the MCLEO database. Hence, to avoid being included in the publication of non-compliant lawyers and the consequences of non-compliance, please ensure that your MCLE compliance is current.

You may call or visit the MCLE Office for any inquiry.

  
**Justice Minerva P. Gonzaga-Reyes (Ret.)**  
Chairperson

<sup>1</sup> Non-compliance Procedure

<sup>2</sup> Non-Compliance Notice and 60-Day Period to Attain Compliance

<sup>3</sup> Now MCLE Governing Board