



Republic of the Philippines
Judicial and Bar Council
Manila

ANNOUNCEMENT

The Judicial and Bar Council (JBC) announces the opening, for application or recommendation, of the following positions:

A. <i>Court of Appeals Presiding Justice</i> (vice Hon. Remedios A. Salazar-Fernando , who will compulsorily retire on 2 September 2023)		
B. <i>Judgeship</i> positions in Regions IX to XII:		
REGION IX	Dinagat Island	Surigao del Sur
	RTC, Br. 32, San Jose (formerly Dinagat Island)	MTCC, Bislig City
Basilan		4 th MCTC, Cagwait-Bayabas
RTC, Br. 2, Isabela City	Misamis Occidental	Region XII
MTCC, Isabela City	RTC, Br. 12, Oroquieta City	
MTCC, Lamitan City	RTC, Br. 14, Oroquieta City	Lanao del Norte
1 st SCC, Isabela City**	MTCC, Br. 1, Ozamis City	RTC, Br. 2, Iligan City
Sulu	MTCC, Br. 2, Ozamis City	RTC, Br. 21, Kapatagan
Br. 10-FC (IX), Jolo	MTC, Clarin	MTCC, Br. 4, Iligan City
RTC, Br. 4, Parang	1 st MCTC, Calamba-Baliangao	6 th MCTC, Tubod-Baroy-Magsaysay
1 st MCTC, Indanan-Parang-Maimbung-Talipao	Misamis Oriental	Lanao del Sur
2 nd MCTC, Patikul-Panamao-Marungas-Pangutaran-New Panamoc	RTC, Br. 18, Cagayan de Oro City	RTC, Br. 11, Malabang
	RTC, Br. 20, Cagayan de Oro City	RTC, Br. 12, Malabang
		RTC, Br. 26, Wao
3 rd MCTC, Luuk-Kalingalan Caluang	RTC, Br. 22, Cagayan de Oro City	MTC, Calanogas
4 th MCTC, Siasi-Tapul-Lugus-Pandami-Pata-Tongkil	RTC, Br. 24, Cagayan de Oro City	2 nd MCTC, Balindong-Tugaya-Bacolod Grande-Madalum
MTC, Jolo	RTC, Br. 49, Initao	8 th MCTC, Molundo-Lumba-Bayabao-Maguing
1 st SDC, Jolo**	RTC, Br. 26, Medina	9 th MCTC, Wao-Bumbaran
2 nd SCC, Siasi-Pandami-Tapul-Lugus**	5 th MCTC, Jasaan-Claveria	7 th SCC, Ganassi-Binidayan-Bagayawan-Calanogas-Pualas-Madamba**
	6 th MCTC, Tagoloan-Villanueva	
4 th SCC, Maimbung-Pata-Talipao**	MTC, Medina	8 th SCC, Malabang-Balabagan-Kapatagan-Sultan-Gumander-Marogong**
Tawi-Tawi	Surigao del Norte	
Br. 2-FC (IX), Bongao	5 th MCTC, Tubod-Alegria	10 th SCC, Tamparan-Taraka-Poona Bayabao-Lumba Bayabao-Masiu**
1 st MCTC, Simunul-Balimbing-Panglima-Sugala	Region XI	
	Davao de Oro	
3 rd MCTC, Tandubas-South Ubian-Sapa-Sapa	MTC, Laak (San Vicente)	
	MTC, Maco	Maguindanao
5 th MCTC, Bongao-Languyan	MTC, Maragusan	RTC, Br. 13, Cotabato City
2 nd SDC, Bongao**	1 st MCTC, Compostela-New Bataan	RTC, Br. 14, Cotabato City – <i>Special Court for Agrarian Cases</i>
Zamboanga del Norte	4 th MCTC, Mabini-Pantukan	5 th SDC, Cotabato City**
RTC, Br. 7, Dipolog City	Davao del Norte	
RTC, Br. 8, Dipolog City	RTC, Br. 2, Tagum City	4 th MCTC, Pagalungan-Buluan-Pandag-Mangudadatu-Datu Paglas
RTC, Br. 28, Liloy	MTC, Asuncion	
RTC, Br. 27, Siocon	MTC, New Corella	1 st SCC, Cotabato City-Kabuntalan-Sultan Kudarat**
MTC, Sibuco	1 st MCTC, Carmen-Sto. Tomas-Braulio E. Dujali	
5 th MCTC, Katipunan-Sergio Osmena, Sr.	3 rd MCTC, Kapalong-Talaingod	2 nd SCC, Datu Odin Sinsuat-Talayan**
Zamboanga del Sur	Davao del Sur	
RTC, Br. 23, Molave		
RTC, Br. 21, Pagadian City	RTC, Br. 14, Davao City	4 th SCC, Datu Piang**

RTC, Br. 22, Pagadian City	RTC, Br. 33, Davao City	6 th SCC, Buluan-Datu Paglas-Lutayan-Salipada K. Pendatun**
RTC, Br. 29, San Miguel	RTC, Br. 52, Davao City	7 th SCC, Upi-South Upi**
RTC, Br. 14, Zamboanga City	RTC, Br. 53, Davao City	North Cotabato
RTC, Br. 32, Zamboanga City	MTCC, Br. 2, Davao City	RTC, Br. 22, Kabacan
RTC, Br. 38, Zamboanga City – <i>Unorganized Court</i>	MTCC, Br. 6, Davao City	RTC, Br. 61, Kidapawan City
	MTCC, Br. 7, Davao City	RTC, Br. 18, Midsayap
RTC, Br. 39, Zamboanga City – <i>Unorganized Court</i>	MTCC, Digos City	RTC, Br. 24, Midsayap
	2 nd MCTC, Hagonoy-Matanao	4 th MCTC, Pikit-Libungan-Aleoson
RTC, Br. 40, Zamboanga City – <i>Unorganized Court</i>	3 rd MCTC, Padada-Kiblawan	5 th MCTC, Pigcawayan-Alamada-Banisilan
	Davao Occidental	15 th SCC, Kidapawan-Makilala-Magpet-President Roxas-Colombio*
RTC, Br. 41, Zamboanga City – <i>Unorganized Court</i>	RTC, Br. 20, Malita (formerly Digos City)	Sultan Kudarat
3 rd SDC, Zamboanga City*	5 th MCTC, Malita-Sta. Maria-Don Marcelino	
MTCC, Br. 1, Pagadian City	Davao Oriental	RTC, Br. 19, Isulan – <i>Special Court for Agrarian Cases</i>
MTCC, Br. 2, Zamboanga City		RTC, Br. 25, Kalamansig – <i>Unorganized Court</i>
10 th MCTC, Ramon Magsaysay-Midsalip-Sominot	RTC, Br. 7, Baganga	MTC, Palimbang
2 nd SCC, Pagadian City*	RTC, Br. 5, City of Mati	9 th SCC, Isulan-Esperanza-Bagumbayan-Aquino*
Zamboanga Sibugay	MTCC, City of Mati	11 th SCC, Palimbang*
RTC, Br. 31, Imelda	MTC, Baganga	
Region X	3 rd MCTC, Lupon-Banaybanay	
	Sarangani	
Agusan del Norte	RTC, Br. 46, Alabel	
RTC, Br. 1, Butuan City	3 rd MCTC, Kiamba-Maitum	
RTC, Br. 5, Butuan City	South Cotabato	
MTCC, Br. 2, Butuan City	Br. 13-FC (XI), Polomolok – <i>Unorganized Court</i>	
Bukidnon	RTC, Br. 59, General Santos City	
RTC, Br. 10, Malaybalay – <i>Special Court for Environmental Cases</i>	RTC, Br. 24, Koronadal City – <i>Special Court for Commercial, Cybercrime, and Competition Cases</i>	
RTC, Br. 47, Malaybalay – <i>Unorganized Court</i>	RTC, Br. 25, Koronadal City	
RTC, Br. 48, Malaybalay – <i>Unorganized Court</i>	RTC, Br. 42, Koronadal City	
	RTC, Br. 39, Polomolok	
5 th MCTC, Don Carlos-Dangcagan-Kitaotao	RTC, Br. 44, Surallah	
	MTCC, Br. 3, General Santos City	

* Shari'ah District Court/Shari'ah Circuit Courts outside the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (BARMM) under PD 1083

** Shari'ah District Courts/Shari'ah Circuit Courts within the BARMM under RA 9054 or RA 11054

Interested applicants must visit the official JBC website (www.jbc.judiciary.gov.ph) and access the Online Application Scheduler not later than the deadline for the submission of applications and documentary requirements on **4 July 2023 (Tuesday)**, from 8:00 o'clock in the morning to 4:30 in the afternoon. After filling in the required information in the Online Application Scheduler, applicants will receive a computer-generated letter of intent in their respective email addresses.

A copy of the letter of intent must be printed out and submitted together with two (2) complete sets of all the documentary requirements to the JBC, 2nd Floor, Centennial Building, Supreme Court, Padre Faura Street, Manila, on their selected date and time of appointment, which must **not be later than 4:00**

o'clock in the afternoon of 4 July 2023 (Tuesday). The date of actual receipt by the JBC of the complete documentary requirements shall be deemed as the date of filing.

Applicants who prefer to send their applications and documentary requirements through registered mail or private courier must ensure that their documents are complete, updated and received by the JBC on the date reserved in the Online Application Scheduler. In this regard, the applicant should send through email a copy of the mailing receipt to oafs.jbc@judiciary.gov.ph on the same day.

Guidelines:

- ☐ The documentary requirements must be original or certified true copies, accompanied by duplicate photocopies, all on legal size paper and enclosed in **green envelope** with respect to documents of applicants for the Presiding Justice of the Court of Appeals and **red envelope** for documents of applicants for judgeship positions.
- ☐ All submitted documents and clearances must be tabbed. (e.g. A, B, C, D, see Forms for sample)
- ☐ A flash drive containing the scanned or electronic copies of application documents in Portable Document Format (PDF) must also be submitted. The scanned copies contained in the flash drive must be a complete and accurate reproduction of all the documentary requirements submitted.
- ☐ Applicants are urged to consider allowance for contingencies when setting a schedule for submission. Incomplete applications and/or out-of-date documentary requirements and those submitted on a date other than the chosen date and time in the Online Application Scheduler shall not be accepted.
- ☐ Applicants are reminded that the Personal Data Sheet and its Annexes are **under oath** and contain their declaration that "I am SOLELY RESPONSIBLE for any incomplete or out-of-date document/s or information. Therefore, receipt of my application documents does not certify that my submission is complete and in compliance with all the JBC requirements. I agree that the documents I submitted are considered JBC property."

Documentary Requirements:

- ☐ Application letter or recommendation letter with *conforme* (Please use the prescribed forms)
- ☐ Duly accomplished, computerized, and notarized latest version of the Personal Data Sheet (Version April 2023 see Forms) and Online Matrix (Annex "A" February 2023 version see Forms) printed in 8.5" x 13" bond paper where **all** fields are accomplished and with attached 2x2 I.D. picture in business attire taken within the past six (6) months.



(Previous applicants must highlight or mark with a bright color new, modified, or corrected entries in their updated PDS.)

- ☐ Transcript of law school records (*Note: Previous applicants who submitted an **original or certified true copy** thereof no longer have to submit.*)
- ☐ Birth certificate issued by the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) or, in the absence thereof, a PSA Certification to that effect and other proof of age and citizenship (*Note: Previous applicants who submitted an **original or certified true copy** of birth certificate issued by the National Statistics Office or the PSA no longer have to submit.*)
- ☐ Certificate of Admission to the Bar with Bar Rating issued by the Office of the Bar Confidant (OBC) or Proof of Payment / Receipt for its Request with copies thereof emailed directly to oaafs.jbc@judiciary.gov.ph (*Note: Previous applicants who submitted an **original or certified true copy** thereof no longer have to submit. (Note: This is not required of applicants in SCCs outside BARMM.)*)
- ☐ Certificate of payment of membership dues or of lifetime membership issued by the Integrated Bar of the Philippines (IBP) National Office not earlier than **4 January 2023** (*Note: Previous applicants who submitted an **original or certified true copy** of lifetime membership no longer have to submit. (Note: This is not required of applicants in SCCs outside BARMM.)*)
- ☐ Certificate of Employment (COE) issued by the current employer not earlier than **4 January 2023**, stating the applicant's present position, employment status (e.g. permanent, coterminous, casual, temporary, consultant, or contractual), annual salary, salary grade, and judicial rank, if any (*Note: Judges and solo practitioners need not submit.*)
- ☐ Service Record of applicants in government service or those in the private sector who have been employed in the government at any point (*Note: This should include all previous government posts held, and employment status [e.g. permanent, coterminous, casual, temporary, consultant, or contractual]; not required of Judges*)
- ☐ Certificate of Assumption of Office or Oath of Office of applicant's current position (*Note: This only applies to lawyers from government offices.*)
- ☐ Certificate of Compliance with, or Exemption from, the Mandatory Continuing Legal Education Program for the seventh (7th) Compliance Period (*Note: Previous applicants who submitted an **original or certified true copy** thereof no longer have to submit. This is not required of applicants in SCCs outside of BARMM.)*)
- ☐ Income Tax Returns or Certificates of Compensation Payment/Tax Withheld for Years 2020, 2021, and 2022 (*Note: Previous applicants who*



submitted an **original or certified true copy** for the years covered need only to submit photocopies thereof.)

- Sworn Statements of Assets, Liabilities and Net Worth (SALNs) accompanied by an explanation in case of unusual, appreciable, or sudden increase or decrease of net worth, as this will be inquired into during the interview:
 - For those who are currently in government service, all SALNs for the past ten (10) years (i.e., for years 2013-2022, including entry and exit SALNs of those who joined the government or were separated from the service at any time within the past ten [10] years) must be submitted (*Note: If in government service for less than ten [10] years, only SALNs for the years while in government service need to be submitted.*)
 - For those who are currently employed in the private sector but were *in government service within the past ten (10) years*, all SALNs for those years in government service, including entry and exit SALNs, must be submitted together with SALN as of 31 December 2022
 - For those applicants from the *private sector who have not served the government within the past ten (10) years*, only SALN as of 31 December 2022 must be submitted
 - **Failure to submit any of the SALNs, which is a constitutional and statutory requirement, shall be a ground for the disqualification of an applicant** (*Note: Previous applicants who submitted an **original or certified true copy** for the years covered need only to submit photocopies thereof.*)
- Certifications issued by banks or other institutions within the application period regarding the **amounts** of local or foreign deposits and other investments under the applicant's name or held jointly with applicant's spouse, children, and other persons or entities
- Accomplished Individual Performance Commitment and Review (IPCR) Forms for 2020-2022 (*Note: This only applies to applicants who served the government at any time between 2020 and 2022 except Judges. Previous applicants who submitted an **original or certified true copy** for the years covered need only submit photocopies thereof.*)
- Two sample decisions or resolutions (required of Judges only), pleadings, treatises, opinions or articles written, edited, or published (*Note: Previous applicants who submitted these no longer have to submit.*)
- Copies of complaints, comments, or other records of pending cases (civil, criminal, or administrative cases [including OCA IPI]) involving the applicant, or if decided, a copy of the Decision/Resolution
- Certificates as hereunder indicated (*Note: Required only of applicants for judgeship positions for the following Shari'ah Courts:*)



SCCs outside of BARMM under P.D. 1083	SCCs and SDCs within BARMM under R.A. 9054 or R.A. 11054
Certificate of Admission to Special Membership in the Philippine Bar to practice in the Shari'ah Court by the Supreme Court	Certificate of completion of at least two (2) years of Shari'ah or Islamic Jurisprudence

* MEDICAL EXAMINATION RECORDS:

- ☐ Results of the following medical examinations conducted not earlier than **4 January 2023**:
 - Complete blood count
 - Routine Urinalysis
 - Blood Chemistry
 - FBS
 - BUN
 - Creatinine
 - Uric Acid
 - Cholesterol
 - SGPT
 - Electrocardiogram (12-Lead) result
- ☐ Results of routine chest X-ray (excluding X-ray films) conducted not earlier than **4 July 2022**
- ☐ Medical Report issued by a government doctor not earlier than **4 January 2023** indicating the findings or impressions based on the results of the medical examinations, and certifying that the applicant is medically fit to assume the position applied for
- ☐ Affidavit of Undertaking that the applicant shall inform the JBC in writing and submit an updated Comprehensive Medical Certificate should he or she contract any serious illnesses at any stage of the application process (*see Forms*)

* **CLEARANCES** issued not earlier than **4 January 2023**:

- ☐ Clearance/Certification of pending and decided cases against the applicant issued by current employer (*Note: not required of Judges*)
- ☐ Clearance/Certification of pending and past cases issued by the Judicial Integrity Board (*Note: required only of past and current employees of the Judiciary, e.g. judges, clerks of court*)
- ☐ Clearance/Certification or Proof of Payment/Receipt for the Request for Clearance/Certification of pending and past cases issued by the OBC with copies thereof emailed directly to oafs.jbc@judiciary.gov.ph) (*Note: not required of Justices and Judges*)

- ☐ Clearance/Certification of pending and past cases issued by the IBP National Office
- ☐ Ombudsman Clearance
- ☐ National Police Clearance
- * NBI Clearance issued not earlier than **4 July 2022**
- * Pre-judicature Program Letter-certification with rating from PHILJA

THE QUALIFICATION OF APPLICANTS SHALL BE RECKONED AS OF THE DEADLINE FOR FILING OF APPLICATIONS. For the qualification requirements and evaluative criteria, applicants are enjoined to refer to the *2020 Revised JBC Rules*, as amended, in the JBC website.

All applicants are required to have undergone, completed and passed the Pre-Judicature Program (PJP) of the Philippine Judicial Academy (PHILJA) pursuant to Section 2, Rule 3 of the said rules. The validity period of three (3) years as provided therein is, however, still suspended. **(Per PHILJA, this is not required of applicants for judgeship positions in the SCCs outside BARMM and incumbent Justices of the Court of Appeals, Court of Tax Appeals, and the Sandiganbayan.)**

As recommended by PHILJA, the PJP for **lower courts and appellate courts** shall have a validity period of **five (5) years from the date of release to the applicant of the letter-certification with passing rate by PHILJA.** Thus, the PJP letter-certification with passing rate by PHILJA received by the applicant **from 4 July 2018 is valid.** Whereas, the PJP results received by the applicant on or before 3 July 2018 shall no longer be considered valid.

Applicants who have been found by the Council to have wilfully made false statements, misrepresentations, or concealments of any material information as provided for under the *2020 Revised JBC Rules* shall be considered disqualified from being nominated by the Council or may be subject to perjury.

19 May 2023.

MARIFE M. LOMIBAO-CUEVAS

Clerk of Court & JBC *Ex Officio* Secretary