



Republic of the Philippines  
Judicial and Bar Council  
Manila

**RESOLUTION No. JBC 01-2024**

*Resolution Providing for a Reckoning Date for the Constitutional and Statutory Qualifications of Applicants under Rule 2 and Amending the Reckoning Date for the Required Years of Service of Applicants under Rule 3, Section 3(a), Paragraph 3 of the 2020 Revised Rules of the Judicial and Bar Council (JBC No. 2020-01)*

**WHEREAS**, the Judicial and Bar Council (JBC) is mandated by the Constitution and pertinent laws to recommend appointees to positions in the Judiciary, the Office of the Ombudsman, and the Legal Education Board (LEB). Under this mandate, the JBC shall provide rules and guidelines in the selection and nomination of applicants, as well as the conduct of the entire process of application and shall update the same whenever necessary or as may be required by circumstances;

**WHEREAS**, on 15 October 2021, the JBC promulgated the Revised Rules of the JBC (JBC No. 2020-01) which became effective on 18 January 2022;

**WHEREAS**, in the JBC Special En Banc Meeting on 29 January 2024, the Council **resolved** to **set** a reckoning date for the constitutional and statutory qualifications of applicants and **amend** the reckoning date with regard to the required number of years of experience of applicants who are members of the Judiciary in order to widen the base of applicants so that only the best and the brightest among all qualified will be nominated;

**WHEREAS**, the Council prescribed that the reckoning period for the constitutional and statutory qualifications shall be from the date of **nomination**;<sup>1</sup>

**WHEREAS**, the Council further prescribed that the reckoning period for the required number of years of incumbency of judicial applicants shall be from the date they took their oath of office for their positions to the date of **nomination**;<sup>2</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> Rule 2 - Constitutional and Statutory Qualifications for Nomination, Revised Rules of the JBC.

<sup>2</sup> Rule 3- Nomination, Revised Rules of the JBC.

**WHEREFORE**, the Council **RESOLVES**, as it is hereby resolved, that the qualifications of applicants under Rule 2 and Rule 3, Section 3 (a), Paragraph 3 of the Revised Rules of the JBC shall be reckoned from the date of **nomination**.

This Resolution shall take effect **immediately**.

31 January 2024.



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