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RULES AND PROCEDURES IN THE GRANT AND USE OF THE COAST GUARD LEGAL SERVICE BADGE

I. REFERENCE

HPCG Circular No. 06-10 dated 24 May 2010 "PCG Awards and Decorations"

II. PURPOSE

This SOP prescribes the authority, eligibility and manner of wearing of the CGLS Badge.

III. OBJECTIVES

- A. To provide distinction and identity to CGLS Legal Officers assigned at the CGLS, from other Legal Services of other uniformed services such as the AFP and PNP.
- B. To provide distinction and identity to General Line Officers as well as non-officers assigned CGLS and have undergone the Basic MARLEN and/or PARALEGAL Seminar/Course.
- C. To provide policies, guidance and procedures for recommending, processing, deliberating and conferring the CGLS Badge.

IV. SCOPE

This circular will provide authority and eligibility to all PCG Legal Officers, General Line Officers and Non-Officers, assigned at CGLS to use or wear the CGLS Badge upon compliance of the requirements.

V. THE CGLS BADGE

A. Description

1. The Badge shows an image of a trident joined together with the scales of justice, with laurel leaves encircled around the trident/scales of justice. The CGLS logo is likewise placed at portion where the stems of the laurel leaves are joined. also depicts the ocean which serves as the background of the pin. The Badge is 1.80" long and 1.33" wide with two pins at both ends, top and bottom.

- 2. The Scales of Justice symbolizes the CG Legal Service's obligation and observation of all relevant maritime international conventions, treaties or instruments, and national laws. It also represents the observance of impartiality and the obligation of the Service to weigh the evidence, claims, and defenses presented to it for comment, decision, or review with no influence of bias, privilege, or corruption. The scales further signify the CG Legal Service's values in upholding the rule of law in order to promote justice as a way to maintain the unit's commitment and duty to both the PCG service and to the legal profession.
- 3. The Trident being the weapon wielded by Poseidon the god of the sea, represents the responsibility of the CG Legal Service towards the PCG service, to the maritime stakeholders, to the people, and to the country. The trident, being a representation of power is symbolic for the unit since it shows that the unit is responsible in carrying out its legal duty.

Furthermore, as a symbol of power and responsibility, the trident symbolizes the enforcement and the upholding of the laws. In addition, such symbolism signifies that the unit is bound to enforce the laws and jurisprudence, as well as protect and defend the institution, the maritime stakeholders, and the people.

4. The **Ocean** signifies the CG Legal Service's duty to safeguard the Philippines' maritime jurisdiction by upholding and observing all maritime laws in order to ensure the sovereignty and sovereign rights of the country.

The Philippines, being an archipelagic nation, is surrounded by bodies of water that provides its maritime stakeholders and the Filipino people with marine resources and as a means to travel. As such, the ocean represents the CG Legal Service's obligation to ensure that all maritime stakeholders and the Filipino people traversing through Philippine waters comply with maritime laws as well as to ensure their safety and security.

- 5. The Laurel represents wisdom and excellence in which the CG Legal Service had acquired. From this wisdom, the unit had gained the expertise and experience in the field of maritime laws. It can also symbolize long-term vision, in which the CG Legal Service can assist and contribute in the attainment of the PCG's future objectives.
- 6. The **CGLS Logo** is placed at the center where the laurel stems meet to distinctly identify the badge as that of the Coast Guard Legal Service.

B. Categories

1. CGLS OFFICERS BADGE (ANNEX A)

The CGLS BADGE for all officers assigned to CGLS shall be of metallic material and shall be in color, with the laurel leaves, trident and the scales of justice in prominent gold color. The ocean shall be in blue color while the CGLS LOGO shall retain its color.

2. CGLS NON-OFFICERS BADGE (ANNEX B)

The CGLS BADGE for all non-officers assigned to CGLS shall be prominently in silver, with the CGLS LOGO retaining its color.

3. CGLS BDU PATCH (ANNEX C)

For the Battle Dress Uniform (BDU), the patch shall be embroidered in the same color shade as the BDU.

VI. RULES AND PROCEDURES

A. Who are authorized to wear:

CGLS Legal Officers, General Line Officers and non-officers assigned at CGLS provided they comply with the requirements as provided in this SOP.

B. Requirements

- 1. For Legal Officers:
 - a. they must be assigned at CGLS;
 - b. Must be a LLB Graduate if not, must have a Certificate issued by C, CGLS authorizing the use of such badge;
 - c. For line officers who are members of the Bar, they may be authorized to wear the badge if they will be assigned CGLS.
- For General Line Officers assigned CGLS:
 - a. Must be assigned CGLS for at least six (6) months;
 - b. Must have attended the CGLS Basic MARSLEN Seminar and basic Paralegal Course;
 - c. Must have a Certificate issued by C, CGLS authorizing the use of such badge.
- 3. For Non-Officers assigned CGLS:
 - a. Must be assigned CGLS for at least one (1) year;
 - b. Must have attended the CGLS Basic MARSLEN Seminar and basic Paralegal Course:
 - c. Must have a Certificate issued by C, CGLS authorizing the use of such badge.

C. Dimensions

SEE ATTACHED ANNEX A, B and C

D. Manner of Wearing

The badge must be worn at the center of the lower left breast pocket on every General Office Uniform (Marlen Blue, Bush Coat and Working Blue), Dress Blouse, and White Docks.

The CGLS Patch shall be placed and worn on the center above the left breast pocket of the BDA.

VII. RECISSION

All Policies and instruction in conflict with this SOP are hereby rescinded.

VIII. EFFECTIVITY

This Circular will be implemented upon approval

BY COMMAND OF ADMIRAL URSABIA JR:

OFFICIAL:

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Chief of Coast Guard Staff

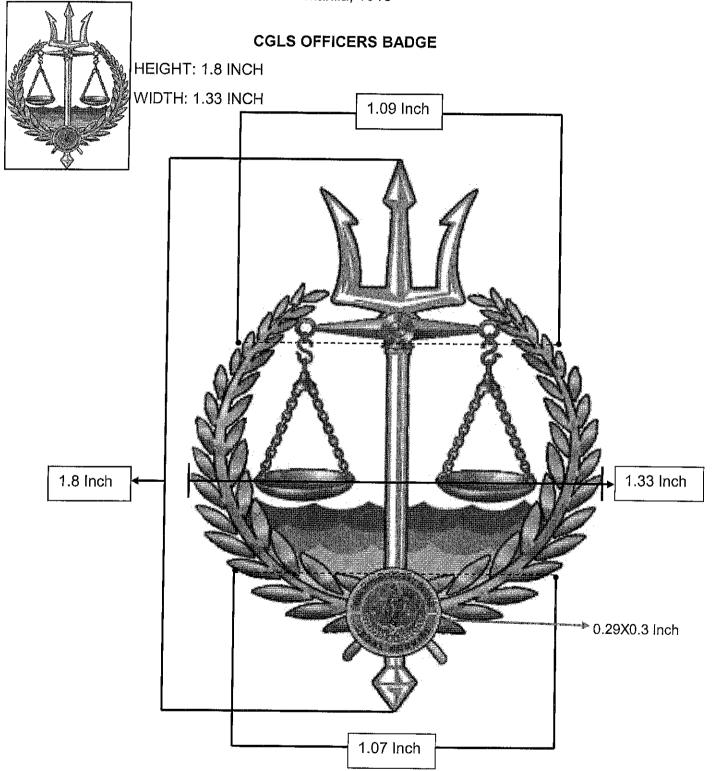
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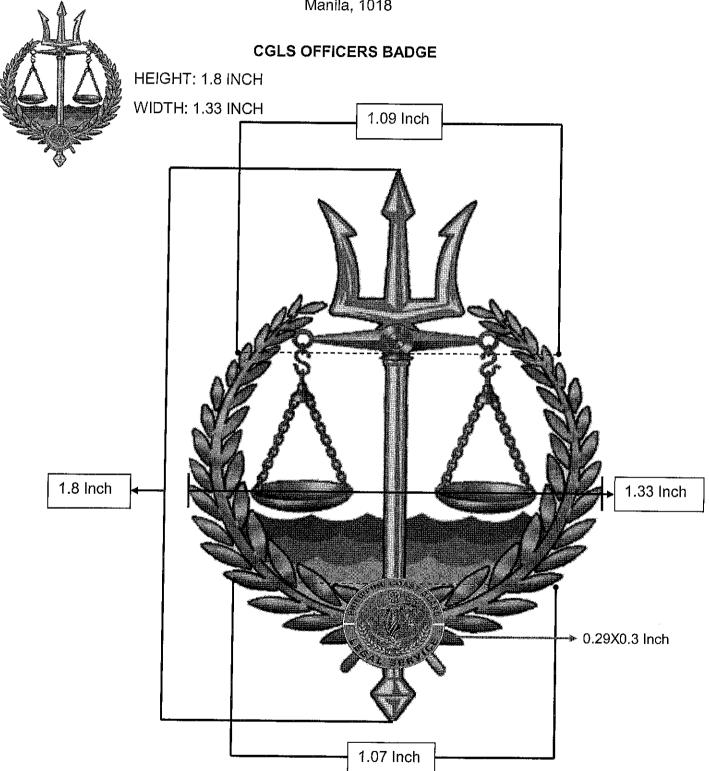
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ANNEX B



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ANNEX C



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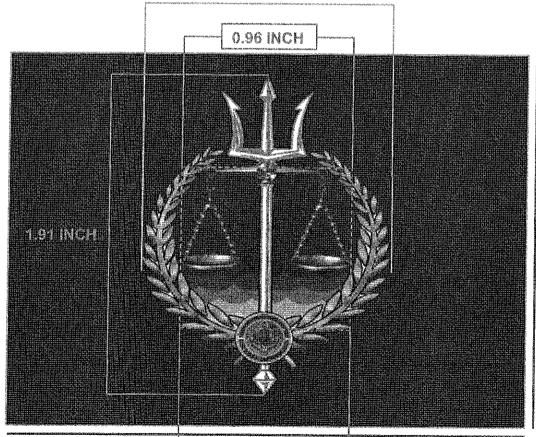
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CGLS PATCH



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