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CIRCULAR

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GRANTING OF LAWYER'S INCENTIVE PAY TO PCG LAWYERS

1.0 LEGAL BASIS

Rule 14.3 (g) of the IRR of RA 9993

AGPCR2 32-2007 dated 27 December 2007

Sec. 42, GAA FY 2013

2.0 PURPOSE

a. This Circular prescribes the procedures to be followed for the grant of Lawyer's Incentive Pay to lawyers;

b. To enhance the morale and enthusiasm of PCG Lawyers;

c. To augment their income and;

d. To serve as additional enticement to civilian lawyers to enter the PCG Service.

3.0 DEFINITION OF TERMS

LAWYERS' INCENTIVE PAY – emoluments or monetary benefits given apart from regular pay and allowances granted to CG Lawyers who render professional legal service and/or appear as counsel before civilian courts, military courts or administrative boards.

PCG LAWYERS – refer to PCG Legal Officers who are members of the Philippine Bar.

PROFESSIONAL LEGAL SERVICE – consist of, but not limited to the following:

- a) Giving legal advice;
- b) Rendering legal opinion;
- c) Preparing legal deeds e.g. contracts, MOA, Affidavits, etc.; and
- d) Lawyer-personnel, including those designated to assume the duties of a legal officer and those in the legal staff of departments, bureaus and offices of the National Government deputized by the office of the Solicitor general to appear in court as special counsel in collaboration with the Solicitor General or prosecutors concerned.

4.0 COVERAGE

For the purpose of this Circular, lawyers who are considered rendering professional legal service and/or appear as counsel before civilian courts, military courts or administrative boards are those who possess the following:

4.1 Must be a member of the Philippine Bar having been successfully passed the Philippine Bar Exams;

4.2 Must be connected with the Office of the CGLS or assigned with other Offices or Districts on DS status or as collateral duty or functions;

4.3 Must be performing Professional Legal Service as defined in para 3.0 and/or appear as counsel before civilian courts, military courts or administrative boards.

5.0 GUIDELINES

5.1 The CGLS shall provide the CG-1 an update of the complete Roster of Troops of Lawyers entitled to the Lawyer's Incentive Pay; and

5.2 The CG-1 shall issue the corresponding PCG Order to this effect;

5.3 Each PCG Lawyer shall, regardless of rank, be granted their Lawyer's Incentive Pay in the amount of Five Thousand Pesos (Php. 5, 000.00) per month. In case there is an increase in the AFP Special Counsel Allowance, the PCG will likewise increase the corresponding Lawyer's Incentive Pay.

6.0 APPLICABILITY

This Circular shall be effective upon approval.

7.0 REPEALING CLAUSE

All existing rules, regulation, memorandum and directives inconsistent with this circular are deemed repealed.

8.0 EFFECTIVITY

This Circular shall take effect upon approval of the Commandant, PCG.

BY COMMAND OF REAR ADMIRAL ISORENA

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