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DECS MEMORANDUM  
No. 74, s. 2001

**SELECTION OF THE "OUTSTANDING PROFESSIONAL OF THE YEAR"  
BY THE PROFESSIONAL REGULATION COMMISSION**

To: Bureau Directors  
Regional Directors  
Schools Division/City Superintendents

1. The Professional Regulation Commission, the central agency of the government charged with licensing and regulation of professionals and accrediting professional organization is launching the "Search for the Outstanding Professional of the Year". It aims to give due recognition to the achievements and services of professionals who excelled in their respective fields of professional endeavor during the past years or their entire career. The presentation of awards will be one of the highlights of the observance of the Anniversary of PRC and the Professional Regulation Week on June 16-22 each year pursuant to Proclamation No. 117, s. 1987.

2. The National Organization of Professional Teachers (NOPTI), as an accredited professional organization shall submit to the Chairman, Committee on Awards, Professional Regulation Commission, two (2) nominees for the said Search.

3. The award is intended to bestow honor upon the most outstanding member of each of the registered professions who has:

- a. Amply demonstrated professional competence of the highest degree and conducted himself with integrity in the exercise of his profession;
- b. Participated meaningfully in professional activities through the professional organization;
- c. Contributed significantly to the advancement of the profession; and
- d. Contributed significantly to the effective discharge of the profession's social responsibility through meaningful contribution/participation in socio-civic related activities.

In addition, he must possess the following qualifications:

- a. He must be a citizen of the Republic of the Philippines;
- b. He must be of good moral character with no pending administrative case with the PRC or with any of the courts for criminal/civil offenses or charges;
- c. He must be a member in good standing of the accredited professional organization (APO) or a non-accredited organization (Non-APO) duly registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC);
- d. He must be a holder of a professional license duly registered with the Professional Regulation Commission;

- e. He must not be an officer or director of the national organization of the professional (APO or Non-APO) for at least one (1) year immediately prior to the awards;
- f. He must not be an incumbent member of the Professional Regulatory Board nor an official or employee of the PRC; and
- g. He must not be a past awardee of the PRC, except for another profession to which he is duly registered.

4. The pertinent documents of interested applicants should be submitted to the Office of the Regional Director, DECS-NCR, Misamis St. Bago Bantay, Quezon City on or before March 7, 2001 to give enough time to the screening committee to do its job. Two (2) nominees will be selected by said committee and recommended to the PRC as entries of the NOPTI for the Search on March 15, 2001. For further inquiries, please contact Malou Cusi or Precy Lanete at tel. nos. 921-42-74 or 928-01-04.

5. For immediate dissemination and appropriate action of all concerned.



ISAGANI R. CRUZ  
Undersecretary

Reference:

DECS Memorandum: No. 498, s. 1998

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MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 2001-01  
January 3, 2001

**TO : ALL CHAIRMEN AND MEMBERS OF THE PROFESSIONAL REGULATORY BOARDS, AND PRESIDENTS OF THE ACCREDITED AND NON-ACCREDITED PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS**

**SUBJECT : SELECTION OF THE "OUTSTANDING PROFESSIONAL OF THE YEAR" AND THE "OUTSTANDING ACCREDITED PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATION OF THE YEAR" AWARDS FOR CONFERMENT BY THE PROFESSIONAL REGULATION COMMISSION IN JUNE 2001**

The conferment of the "**OUTSTANDING PROFESSIONAL OF THE YEAR AWARD**" by the Professional Regulation Commission began in 1977 for the purpose of giving recognition to the achievements and services of professionals who excelled in their respective fields of professional endeavor during the past years or entire career. The presentation of awards constitutes one of the highlights of the observance of the **PRC Anniversary Celebration and Professional Regulation Week on June 16 to 22** each year by virtue of Proclamation No. 117, Series of 1987.

In 1994, the PRC started the conferment of the "**OUTSTANDING ACCREDITED PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATION OF THE YEAR AWARD**" in recognition of the achievements, services and commitment to the profession of the outstanding accredited professional organization.

In 1995, the PRC opened its door to non-members of the accredited professional organization by including in its rules their nomination for the "Outstanding Professional of the Year Award" provided that they are properly endorsed by the accredited professional organization (APO) and nominated to the PRC and provided further that they qualify for the awards in accordance with the criteria set by the Commission.

Beginning the year 1997, the PRC received nominees directly from non-accredited professional organization (Non-APOs) provided the nominees qualify for the awards in accordance with the criteria set by the Commission.

These awards, which are bestowed only upon those with exemplary achievements and services and, therefore, have excelled in their respective fields of endeavor, are the highest awards that could be conferred upon a professional and an accredited professional organization by the PRC which is the central agency of the government charged with the licensing and regulation of professionals and the professions as well as the accredited professional organizations.

**II. "OUTSTANDING ACCREDITED PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATION OF THE YEAR AWARD"**

The award is intended to bestow honor upon the most outstanding accredited professional organization based on the following:

1. Leadership and initiative in participating in PRC activities and/or PRC sponsored programs/activities;
2. Quality of performance of service of nominees appointed to the Professional Regulatory Boards in terms of dedication and loyalty to service and active participation in other regulatory functions and in PRC programs, projects, and activities;
3. Quality and relevance of continuing professional education programs administered and implemented by the Organizations;
4. Significant achievements as a corporate body:
  - a) in attaining the objectives of the organization;
  - b) in the enhancement of the welfare of its members in terms of placement and of assistance in the practice of the profession; and
  - c) in the enhancement of the stature/prestige of the profession.
5. Effective discharge of the profession's social responsibility through meaningful participation in socio-civic related activities;
6. Relationship of the officers and members of the APC with the Professional Regulatory Board and officers and members of the other registered professional organization in the same profession demonstrated by unity and solidarity, camaraderie, fellowship, and cooperation in national programs and activities of the profession;
7. Leadership and initiative in undertaking programs, project, and activities related or unrelated to the profession, as well as improvement and/or contribution to the solution of problems affecting the profession, which redound to the benefit of its members and to the community/country in general;
8. Healthy relationship with the PRC and the Professional Regulatory Board concerned in terms of cooperation and coordination;

endorse another nominee to complete the requirement of at least two (2) nominees.

The Committee on Awards and the Professional Regulation Commission will NOT act upon any nomination, which does not fully meet these conditions and procedures.

The deadline for submission of the nominees set by the Commission shall be FINAL and not subject to any extension. Failure on the part of any professional organization, APO and Non-APO, to submit its nominees on or before the deadline set by the Commission shall be construed to mean that it is not submitting any nominee, in which event, the Commission shall choose from among the nominees to be submitted by the Professional Regulatory Board concerned in a Board Resolution.

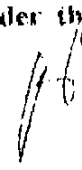
#### B. "OUTSTANDING ACCREDITED PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATION OF THE YEAR AWARD"

The accredited professional organization shall submit to the PRC Committee on Awards **four (4) copies** of supporting documents relative to the criteria enumerated in Item 1 (B) of this Memorandum-Circular **NOT LATER THAN APRIL 30, 2001.**

### III. SELECTION OF AWARDEES BY THE PRC

The Commission, after consultation with the Professional Regulatory Board concerned, the Presidents of the Foundation for Outstanding Professionals (FOP), the Philippine Association of Board Examiners, Inc. (PABE), the Philippine Federation of Professional Associations (PFPA), and the President and the Chairman of the Nominating Committee of the professional organization (APO or non-APO) where the latter has a nominee only, shall choose the recipient of the "Outstanding Professional of the Year" Award from among nominees submitted and shall properly notify the awardee through letter and/or telegram. The awardee shall confirm the acceptance of the award and attendance during the awards ceremony. **Only one (1) awardee shall be chosen for each profession.**

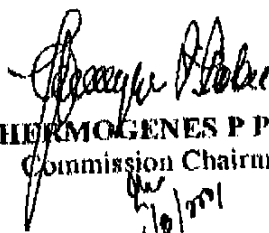
The Commission shall choose the recipient of the "Accredited Professional Organization of the Year Award" from among the nominees recommended by the Committee created by the Commission for the purpose. The Committee shall be composed of men and women of integrity, preferably key officials of the Department of Justice and/or former or incumbent Justices of the Supreme Court or Court of appeals, and shall not belong to any of the professional organizations (APO or non-APO) nor to any of the professions under the supervision and control of the Commission. **Only one (1) awardee shall be chosen by the PRC under this category.**



IV. ANNOUNCEMENT OF AWARDEES

The Professional Regulation Commission shall make the announcement of the awardee. The professional organization (APO and Non-APO) shall therefore refrain from making announcements and/or press releases until the PRC shall have made the final announcements in the print or broadcast media.

This Memorandum-Circular shall supersede previous Memorandum-Circulars.

  
**HERMOGENES P POBRE**  
Commission Chairman  
1/10/2011