

Series of 1989

FEB 2 2 1989

SUBJECT :

Granting authority to DENR Special Counsels to hire taxi in going to the Office of the Solicitor General and attending court hearings within <u>Metro Manila and to collect</u> reimbursement thereof.

Lawyers of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources who are designated and appointed as Special Counsels of the Office of the Solicitor Seneral are hereby authorized to use and hire taxi and to collect reimbursement thereof, in going to the Office of the Solicitor General for conference with the Solicitor General or his Assistants, in connection with the cases referred by this Office for their representation and assistance. The same authority is also granted to said Special Counsels for attending to count hearings or proceedings before the Ombudsman Office, Tanodbayan, Fiscals' Office and other quasi-judicial bodies, provided it is within Metro Manila and wherein the Secretary, Undersecretary or any of the Assistant Secretaries is a party to the case. Such attendance shall be documented by an assignment or appearance order.

The authority herein granted shall only be availed of in the performance of the duties mentioned above, and if justified by the prevailing circumstances, otherwise, the ordinary public conveyance or customary modes of transportation shall be used, subject to the usual accounting/auditing rules and regulations.

This Order shall take effect immediately.

GENCIO S. FACTORAN, JR.

RECOMMENDING APPROVAL:

Assistant Segretary for -Legal Affair