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SPECIAL ORDER
No. 2021- 539

**SUBJECT: AUTHORIZING THE CONDUCT OF STRATEGIC PLANNING
WORKSHOP OF ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION (ADR)
COMMITTEE ON OCTOBER 27 TO 29, 2021**

In the interest of the service and pursuant to Republic Act No. 9285, Executive Order No. 97 s. 2012, DAO No. 2005-18, and DAO No. 2016-30 which mandates the institutionalization of Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) in the Department, and the implementation and adoption of its Principles and Procedures in the Resolution of Appropriate Environment and Natural Resources Conflicts in the Department and its existing Bureaus and Attached Agencies. The conduct of Hybrid-Virtual Strategic Planning Workshop on Alternative Dispute Resolution and related topics is hereby authorized.

The workshop will be conducted on October 27 to 29, 2021 and the following are authorized to attend said activity:

NAME	OFFICE
ASEC Michelle Angelica D. GO	Assistant Secretary for Legal Affairs, Chairperson, DENR-ADR Committee
Atty. Emelyne V. Talabis	Acting Director, Land Management Bureau Member, DENR-ADR Committee
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Atty. Dominic O. Bermudez or ADR Officer Focal Person	Region 4A, Chief, Legal Division and ADR Focal Person
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Atty. Joshua V. Armenta or ADR Officer Focal Person	Region 5, Chief, Legal Division and ADR Focal Person
Atty. Noel C. Empleo or ADR Officer Focal Person	Region 6, Chief, Legal Division and ADR Focal Person
Atty. Rolando Luego or ADR Officer Focal Person	Region 7, OIC Chief, Legal Division and ADR Focal Person
Atty. Meljun A. Diasanta or ADR Officer Focal Person	Region 8, Chief, Legal Division and ADR Focal Person
Atty. Ruben L. Dongallo or ADR Officer Focal Person	Region 9, Chief, Legal Division and ADR Focal Person
Atty. Ban Mikhael C. Pacuribot or ADR Officer Focal Person	Region 10, Chief, Legal Division and ADR Focal Person
Atty. Iris Pauline Taganas-Bacaltos or ADR Officer Focal Person	Region 11, OIC-Chief, Legal Division and ADR Focal Person
Atty. Racman B. Bubong or ADR Officer Focal Person	Region 12, Chief, Legal Division and ADR Focal Person
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Atty. Alma Delos Reyes-Lanzo or ADR Officer Focal Person	NCR, Chief, Legal Division and ADR Focal Person
Atty. Maria Emma Gille Mercado	Litigation and Prosecution Division, DENR-CO-Legal Affairs Service
Atty. Kristine Aquino	Claims and Conflicts Division, DENR-CO-Legal Affairs Service
Atty. Cyril Joy Gerona	Legal Crisis Prevention and Management Division, DENR-CO-Legal Affairs Service
Atty. Mario Jayson Rabara	Internal Affairs Division, DENR-CO-Legal Affairs Service
Atty. Miguel Paolo Adalem Gabriel Gomez Ben Johnson Bulac	Zero Backlog TaskForce, DENR-CO-Legal Affairs Service
Atty. Fatima Angeli Tan	Legal Research and Opinion Division, DENR-CO-Legal Affairs Service

The Strategic Planning Workshop will be conducted to determine and outline the goals that the different bureaus and attached agencies of the Department seek to achieve with regard to the promotion and utilization of ADR mechanism in their respective Offices. Each Bureaus and Attached Agencies together with the Regional ADR Focal Persons/ADR Officers will review existing policies and process of providing alternative means of resolving disputes, claims and conflicts and other disputes in the implementation and enforcement of ENR laws, rules and regulations and disposition, utilization and conservation of natural resources.

The 3-day workshop will run virtually or through a blended forum following the Inter-Agency Task Force on Covid-19 Guidelines and Protocols on social distancing and other safety precautions without sacrificing the quality of the activity. In-person participants to the activity will ensure that they have been fully vaccinated. Hence, the venue will be announced through advisory.

To ensure the efficient and orderly conduct of the said activities, the following members of the ADR Committee Secretariat and staff of the Legal Affairs Service are tasked to provide the necessary technical and administrative support:


1. Atty. Geraldine Dela Cerna-Ramos – Head, ADR Secretariat
2. Atty. Paulo Enrico M. Dones – Member, ADR Secretariat
3. Atty. Elizabeth Alexandra Mary D. Pimentel
4. Ma. Teresa G. Zamora – Member, ADR Secretariat
5. Mary Emmeline F. Custodio – Member, ADR Secretariat
6. Renne Jane Medina
7. Inna Bianca Boquiren
8. Kyle F. Sulabo
9. Bryan Jorge Bangal

The Assistant Secretary for Legal Affairs and Chairperson, ADR Committee, is hereby authorized to amend and reschedule the aforementioned activity in case of unavailability of the resource person/s, or conflict of schedule with other activities of the Department.

The ADR Committee shall submit to the undersigned, a report within 15 days after the completion of the activity.

All related expenses to be incurred in the conduct of this workshop shall be chargeable against the ADR Committee Funds, subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

This Order shall take effect on the dates specified herein.


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