Republic of the Philippines  
Professional Regulation Commission  
Manila

RESOLUTION No. 2016-977  
Series of 2016

REPEALING PRC RESOLUTION NO. 2013-737 TO RATIONALIZE AND EXPEDITE THE SELECTION AND RECOMMENDATION OF MEMBERS TO THE PROFESSIONAL REGULATORY BOARDS

WHEREAS, Section 7 (i) of Republic Act (R.A.) No. 8981 otherwise known as the “PRC Modernization Act of 2000” empowers the Professional Regulation Commission (PRC) to submit and recommend to the President of the Philippines the names of registered/licensed professionals for appointment as members of various Professional Regulatory Boards (PRBs) from among those nominated to fill up vacancies pursuant to the provisions of Executive Order (E.O.) No. 496, s. of 1991;

WHEREAS, the foregoing power is also provided for in the respective Professional Regulatory Laws (PRLs);

WHEREAS, invoking Section 9, Article I of E.O. No. 496, the Commission through Resolution No. 2013-737 created a Screening Committee to assist PRC in speeding up the conduct of the selection of applicants to the PRBs as chairperson/s, vice-chairperson/s, or member/s;

WHEREAS, the Screening Committee was empowered to accept applications, screen applicants, and conduct background checks and investigations on nominees/applicants to PRBs;

WHEREAS, the Screening Committee was composed of the following members:

1. Eric Nubla Excellence Awardee of the Year;
2. Outstanding Professional of the Year Awardee under regulation by the Board;
3. President of the Association of Deans or Heads of Schools, Colleges and Universities offering courses requiring licensure examination; or its authorized representative; or, in the absence of the president or head, an outstanding or well-known academician in the profession (he/she may be the Second Member of the CPE Council;
4. President of the National Competitiveness Council (NCC) or its authorized representative; and
5. President of the Philippine Federation of Professional Organization, Inc. (PFPOA) or its authorized representative.

WHEREAS, the required composition of the Screening Committee was proven to be difficult to convene and the process entails additional costs due to the following circumstances, among others:

1. Not all PRBs have an outstanding professional for the year. There are Accredited Professional Organizations that could not submit nominees to the PRC for the yearly Outstanding Professional Awards;
2. Some Members of the Screening Committee come from outside of Metro Manila;
3. The names of the applicants have to be published in a newspaper of general circulation twice by the PRC, thereby making the process redundant and increasing the costs; and
4. The common date of availability for the schedule of interview is seldom met.

WHEREAS, the foregoing circumstances cause delay on the process, thereby defeating the purpose for which the Screening Committee was created;

NOW THEREFORE, the Commission RESOLVES as it is hereby RESOLVED, to repeal Resolution No. 2013-737 to abolish the Screening Committee and in lieu thereof, shall exercise its functions under Section 7 (i) of R.A. No. 8981 in relation to Section 9, Article I of
E.O. No. 496 to recommend to the President the names of registered/licensed professionals for appointment to the various PRBs;

FURTHER RESOLVED, to create a Selection Committee Secretariat to aid in the selection process and conduct background investigations and to check on nominees/applicants to the PRBs.

Done in the City of Manila, this 2nd day of July 2016.

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