



RESOLUTION NO. 2144
Series of 2026

**CANCELLATION OF THE LICENSURE EXAMINATION FOR CRIMINOLOGISTS
IN THE CITIES OF BUTUAN AND CAGAYAN DE ORO ON FEBRUARY 06, 2026
AND RESCHEDULING THE SAME TO FEBRUARY 08, 2026**

WHEREAS, Section 7(d) of Republic Act No. 8981, otherwise known as the "PRC Modernization Act of 2000", empowers the Professional Regulation Commission (PRC/Commission) to administer and conduct licensure examinations of the various Professional Regulatory Boards, promulgate the necessary rules and regulations in connection therewith, and determine and fix the places and dates of said examinations;

WHEREAS, the Commission issued Resolution No. 2113 (s. 2025) scheduling the Licensure Examination for Criminologists (LEC) on February 04, 05, and 06, 2026 in various testing centers nationwide;

WHEREAS, the Commission issued Resolution No. 1178 (s. 2019), or the "*Revised Guidelines on the Suspension or Cancellation of Licensure Examination during Inclement Weather and Other Unexpected Disasters*", in order to ensure the safety of examinees and examination personnel during inclement weather and other unexpected disasters;

WHEREAS, the health, safety and well-being of examinees, and examination personnel remain the Commission's utmost priority and a main consideration in decisions involving the conduct of licensure examinations;

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 1178 (s. 2019) provides that the declaration of *Storm Signal No. 2* by the Philippine Atmospheric, Geophysical and Astronomical Services Administration (PAGASA) shall not automatically result in the cancellation or suspension of a licensure examination, except when such action is undertaken upon due consultation with the appropriate authorities, namely PAGASA, the National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council (NDRRMC), the Professional Regulatory Board (PRB) concerned, and the Director/Officer-in-Charge/Coordinator of the affected PRC Regional or Offsite/Satellite Office;

WHEREAS, Butuan City, Agusan del Norte and Cagayan de Oro City, Misamis Oriental, have been placed under *Tropical Cyclone Wind Signal (TCWS) No. 02*¹;

WHEREAS, as reported by the PRC Regional Office X (Cagayan de Oro) and PRC Regional Office XIII (Butuan), they coordinated with their respective Local Government Units (LGUs), and the latter recommended the cancellation of the conduct of the examination in order to avoid any risk posed by the prevailing unsafe weather conditions in the area, which have rendered the conduct of the third examination day of LEC not feasible;

WHEREAS, it has been further recommended that the conduct of the LEC thereat be cancelled to safeguard the safety and well-being of the examinees and examination personnel;

WHEREAS, the Professional Regulatory Board of Criminology and the Licensure Office recommended the cancellation of the LEC **in the cities of Butuan and Cagayan De Oro on February 06, 2026** and the rescheduling thereof to **February 08, 2026**;

NOW, THEREFORE, premises considered, the Commission **RESOLVES**, as it is hereby **RESOLVED**, to **CANCEL** the conduct of the **February 06, 2026 Licensure Examination for Criminologists in the cities of Butuan and Cagayan De Oro** and to **RESCHEDULE** the same to **February 08, 2026**.

Let a copy of this Resolution be posted on the PRC Official website for information.

¹ PAGASA Tropical Cyclone Bulletin No. 12 issued on February 05, 2026 at 8:00 PM

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Done in the City of Manila this 6th day of February 2026.


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