

## REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES PROFESSIONAL REGULATION COMMISSION



## PROFESSIONAL REGULATORY BOARD FOR CUSTOMS BROKERS RESOLUTION NO. 05 Series of 2015

## ADOPTION AND PROMULGATION OF THE NEW CODE OF ETHICS AND CODE OF TECHNICAL STANDARDS FOR CUSTOMS BROKERS

WHEREAS, Section 7 (a) of Republic Act No. 8981, otherwise known as the "PRC Modernization Act of 2000", mandates the Professional Regulation Commission (Commission) to administer, implement and enforce the regulatory policies of the national government with respect to the regulation and licensing of the various professions and occupations under its jurisdiction, including the enhancement and maintenance of professional and occupational standards and ethics and the enforcement of the rules and regulations relative thereto:

WHEREAS, Section 7 of Republic Act No. 9280 or the "Customs Brokers Act of 2004", vests upon the Professional Regulatory Board for Customs Brokers (Board) the power and duty to promulgate, administer and enforce rules and regulations, including the Code of Ethics and Code Technical Standards for Customs Brokers, necessary for carrying out the provisions of the law;

WHEREAS, the Board is further empowered to look into the conditions affecting the practice of customs brokers, to adopt measures for the enhancement of the profession and the maintenance of high professional, technical and ethical standards, xxxxx;

**WHEREAS**, Section 32 of the same law provides that the Board shall adopt and promulgate the Code of Ethics and Code of Technical Standards which shall be prescribed and issued by the accredited professional organization (APO) for customs brokers;

WHEREAS, Section 21 of R.A No. 9280 furthermore provides: "The Board may, after giving proper notice of hearing to the party concerned, revoke the Certificate of Registration and Professional Identification Card of a professional customs broker or suspend him/her from the practice of the profession or cancel his/her temporary/special permit for any of the causes or grounds under Section 20 for unprofessional or unethical conduct, malpractice, or violation of any of the provisions of this Act, its implementing rules and regulations, and the Code of Ethics for Professional Customs Brokers."

**WHEREAS**, the Board issued Resolution No. 2005-02 adopting and promulgating the Code of Ethics issued by the Chamber of Customs Brokers, Inc. (CCBI) which is the APO for customs brokers;

WHEREAS, on April 17, 2015, the Board of Directors of CCBI passed Resolution No. 08-2015 prescribing a new Code of Ethics and Code of Technical Standards for customs brokers:

**NOW THEREFORE**, the Board, pursuant to the provisions of R. A. No 9280, has **RESOLVED**, as it so **RESOLVES**, to adopt and promulgate the **New Code of Ethics and Code of Technical Standards for Customs Brokers** as prescribed and issued by the CCBI, which copy is hereby made as an integral part of this Resolution as **Annex A**.



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**FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this Resolution, together with its Annex, shall take effect after fifteen (15) days following its publication in the Official Gazette or in any newspaper of general circulation in the Philippines.

Let copies of the same be furnished the UP Law Center, the Board, Office of the Board Secretariat, Legal and Investigation Division, CCBI, all Regional Offices and other constituent offices and divisions of the Commission.

Done the City of Manila this <u>2nd</u> day of <u>Dec.</u> 2015.

(VACANT) Chairman

ROLANDO LODE JESUS Member NENETTET DAGONDON

Member

ATTESTED BY:

ATTY. LOVELIKA T. BAUTISTA

OIC, Secretary to the Professional Regulatory Boards

**APPROVED** 

(VACANT) Chairperson

ANGELINE T. CHUA CHIACO
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