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Lawyer | Human Resources Officer



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# **PROFILE**

A lawyer, and a humanitarian and development worker.

#### **Recognition and Awards**

- Bar Passer (RA 1080) with Exemplary Performance
- Recognized by the Commission on Higher Education Region VIII for being one of the exemplary bar passers in the 2020-2021 Bar Examinations
- Honor Graduate Eligibility (PD 907)
- Graduated cum laude at the University of the Philippines Visayas Tacloban College
- Consistent Honorific Scholar at the UP Visayas
- Awarded as Best Research Paper during the Regional Research Symposium held at the University of the Philippines Tacloban College

#### **Core Skills**

- Legal Counselling
- Legal Research
- Legal and technical writing



# **SUMMARY OF COMPETENCIES**

- *Solid understanding of Philippine laws.* Recognized for being one of the Exemplary Bar Passers in the 2020-2021 Bar Examinations.
- Outstanding teaching, training, orientation, and facilitation skills.
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills.
- Proficient in Word, Excel, internet, databases, and email.
- Strong service orientation, proactive and results-oriented.



# **EDUCATION**

### **Doctor of Jurisprudence**

Dr. V. Orestes Romualdez Educational Foundation Inc. (DVOREF College of Law) Tacloban City 2015- 2020

#### **Bachelor of Science in Management**

University of the Philippines Visayas Tacloban College Tacloban City 2009-2013 Graduated cum laude



### **WORK EXPERIENCE**

#### Lawyer

MCCCB Law Office Palo, Leyte April 2023 – present

# Summary of Duties:

• Engaged in the limited practice of law

- Draft letters, correspondences, contracts
- Provide legal advice to clients, among others.

#### **Human Resources Officer**

Catholic Relief Services- USCCB April 2022- present

#### Summary of Duties and Achievements:

- Facilitate the end-to-end recruitment in CRS Philippines. Activities include finalizing job descriptions, posting job vacancies, shortlisting CVs, facilitating examinations, sitting in panel interviews, and conducting background checks.
- Serve as a paralegal in the office.

# **Document Reviewer (Consultant)**

Catholic Relief Services- USCCB October 2020- December 2020

### Summary of Duties and Achievements:

- Reviewed the Pag-IBIG housing loan applications and supporting requirements of the permanent shelter beneficiaries of Catholic Relief Services under the Anibong Resettlement Project in Tacloban City.
- Monitored compliance and submission of said requirements to facilitate the approval of the housing loan applications.

### **Human Resources Officer**

Catholic Relief Services- USCCB March 2014- March 2020

# Summary of Duties and Achievements:

Initially hired as Human Resource Assistant for the Salcedo sub-office, but after three months from hire date, was promoted to Human Resources Officer position.

- Supported the end-to-end recruitment in CRS Philippines and its five sub-offices.
- Tasked to conduct HR induction.
- Co-led and/or facilitated several activities, such as but not limited to the annual Community Day of CRS Tacloban i.e., Trash Tag Challenge at a coastal area in Palo, Leyte on May 2019, team-building activities, among others.
- Provided support and guidance to all staff through the provision of communications, trainings, materials, and reminders on the Performance Management System of CRS.
- Participated in the revision of the CRS Philippines Personnel Manual along with the Heads of Offices, Head of Programming, Head of Operations, and HR Manager.
- Assisted the HR Manager and Heads of Offices in investigating and resolving infractions to the personnel manual committed by staff (i.e., fraud, policy violations, harassment, abuse, etc.).
- Represent CRS to NLRC hearings, when necessary.
- Served as a paralegal in the office; supported other departments with any of their legal concerns, such as but not limited to, drafting and interpretation of contracts.
- Provided support on analytical reports on HR-related data

#### **College Instructor**

ABE Tacloban College June 2013- October 2013

### Summary of Duties and Achievements:

- Taught over six (6) Management subjects like Human Resource Management, Basic Accounting, among others.
- Prepared lesson plans and assessed student performance.



# **Other Trainings Received**

- Healthy Me, Healthy We: A Workplace Wellness Intervention, from August 1-3, 2018
- Training of Trainers on Understanding Ownership and Real Property Rights, 2017
- Management Development Program for Managers from March 23-27, 2015

References

Available upon request.