

IPOPHL MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR No. 2020-031

Subject : ADVISORY ON ELECTRONIC FILING OF PLEADINGS AND ONLINE PAYMENT FOR INTER PARTES CASES (IPC) AND IPR VIOLATION (IPV) CASES

In view of the declaration by President Rodrigo R. Duterte reverting the quarantine status of the National Capital Region and the provinces of Bulacan, Cavite, Laguna and Rizal to Modified Enhanced Community Quarantine (MECQ), and to prevent further disruption of operations and rendering of services, all pleadings and submissions in Inter Partes and IP Rights Violation (IPV) cases in the Bureau of Legal Affairs (BLA) shall be filed electronically via the electronic mail (email) address blareceiving@ipophil.gov.ph.



The pleading or submission shall be deemed filed on the date of the BLA's receipt of the email containing such pleading or submission. The party filing the pleading or submission shall serve all parties a copy of the pleading or submission via email.

Payment of the applicable fees shall be made through IPOPHL payment facilities. For this purpose, the copy of the Statement of Account (SOA) shall be issued and sent to the party concerned via email. Proof of payment shall be sent to the BLA via the email address as mentioned above within three (3) days from the actual date of payment.

All previous issuances inconsistent with the foregoing are deemed modified, superseded, or amended accordingly.

This Memorandum Circular shall take effect immediately and shall remain effective until revoked.

Done this 3rd day of August 2020 in Taguig City, Philippines.


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