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*The Search Committee for the
Deanship of the College of Law
University of the Philippines*

Through: **Dr. LaVerne C. de la Peña**
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Members of the Search Committee:

We write to nominate Professor Elizabeth Aguilin-Pangalangan as the next Dean of the University of the Philippines College of Law.

We are Professorial Lecturers in the UP College of Law who have had the distinct privilege of being the students and colleagues of Professor Beth. Most of us are also lawyers in the UP Law Center. Our years of intellectual and administrative collaboration with Professor Beth allow us to speak with utmost confidence that she is the best person to serve as the next Dean of the College.

Professor Beth's expertise in the law, particularly in civil law, human rights, and international law, is undisputed. She is the only internationally-recognized expert on private international law in the Philippines. She is constantly invited to teach and speak in the Philippines and abroad because of her credentials and the recognition that she is an authority in her areas of expertise. This solid academic grounding is nurtured by Professor Beth's strong commitment to academic freedom and excellence. As former students of Professor Beth, we are united in saying that her pedagogical style has been effective and continues to be relevant.

Further, Professor Beth, as a scholar, advocate, and Director of the UP Institute of Human Rights ("UP IHR") is unwavering in her commitment to the values and ideals of the University. The Search Committee only needs to examine the work of the UP IHR and the statements on legal and socio-political issues - most of which were drafted or inspired by Professor Beth, to determine that Professor Beth is the personification of Honor and Excellence.

Finally, Professor Beth is a true leader and excellent administrator. She has been Director of the UP IHR for more than a decade and it is under her leadership that the Institute flourished. She also served as Executive Director of the UP Center for Integrative and Development Studies. She is no stranger to management duties and has the required administrative skills to ensure that the UP Law Complex will remain efficient, productive, faithful to its mandate, and would never be without resources to pursue such mandate.

We highlight these reasons for our nomination of Professor Beth, but there are more strong points that other stakeholders can best attest to in the course of the search process. We are sure that these statements of support will guide the Search Committee is concluding that Professor Beth is the best person to be the next Dean of the UP College of Law.

We thank the Search Committee for its serious consideration of this nomination of Professor Elizabeth Aguilang-Pangalangan.

Very truly yours,



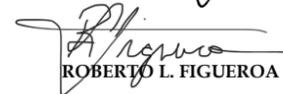
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