



Republic of the Philippines
Supreme Court
Manila

Office of the Bar Confidant

CALL FOR VOLUNTEER PROCTORS

In light of the postponement of the Bar examinations and the increase in the projected number of examinees in some areas, the registration for volunteers has been reopened. Court employees and lawyers working outside the Judiciary who are interested to volunteer as bar personnel may register via the following links on or before **October 29, 2021 (Friday)**:

		<i>Slots are available in:</i>
NCR	bit.ly/BPersonnel21ncr1	Pasay City, Taguig City, Makati City, Manila City, and Quezon City
Luzon	bit.ly/BPersonnel21L	Lipa City, Baguio City, Naga City, and San Fernando City, La Union
Visayas	bit.ly/BPersonnel21v	Cebu City and Dumaguete City
Mindanao	bit.ly/BPersonnel21m	Cagayan de Oro City

Below are some of the frequently asked questions that may be helpful for prospective volunteers:

Who are qualified to serve?

Incumbent judicial employees and lawyers outside the Judiciary may volunteer, subject to the following qualifications:

Incumbent judicial employees must: (a) be fully vaccinated by January 2, 2022; (b) have no relatives within the 4th civil degree of consanguinity or affinity who will take the upcoming Bar exams; and (c) have their names included in the Certification of reliability and integrity signed by their immediate supervisor or head of office.

Lawyers working outside the Judiciary (such as prosecutors, public attorneys, and other IBP members) must: (a) be fully vaccinated by January 2, 2022; (b) have no relatives within the 4th civil degree of consanguinity or affinity who will take the Bar exam; (c) provide a Landbank account for the deposit of allowances; (d) have no pending administrative case filed against them before the Court; and (e) not be teaching in any law school during the Bar months.

Will there be any allowance to be given to the volunteers?

Yes, bar allowances will be given to the volunteers per Bar weekend. The amount will vary depending on their assigned positions.

Will transportation allowance and hazard pay be given to the volunteers?

Yes. On top of their bar allowances, volunteers will receive transportation allowance and hazard pay.

May the volunteers indicate the Landbank account of another person?

No. The Landbank account must be under the name of the volunteer. Those without Landbank accounts yet may open such accounts online.

When do the volunteers have to be at the testing center?

Head proctors and proctors need to report early on Sundays, while the other staff (*i.e.*, IT, runners, assistants, and security) will be required to assist on both Saturdays and Sundays.

Will the volunteers be tested for Covid?

Yes. In line with our goal of having zero-Covid transmission within the local testing centers, personnel will be tested every week either on Fridays or Saturdays. The volunteers will not pay for these tests.

Will the volunteers undergo training?

Yes, the volunteers will undergo training *via* video conference from November onwards. The specific training schedules will be given to them through their Venue Coordinators. Volunteers will also be required to undergo a walk through on January 14, 2022 or the Friday before the first Bar Sunday.

Will lawyers who volunteer to serve during the Bar exam be exempted from MCLE for one compliance period?

Yes. The Court's Resolution dated September 14, 2021 in Bar Matter No. 3865 (*Re: MCLE Exemptions of Bar Examiners and Staff*) provides that "bar personnel are exempted for one compliance period." Further, they shall "only be granted MCLE exemption for one compliance period after they have rendered actual services for four (4) Bar Sundays, and if they complied with the strict health protocols and instructions from the Bar Chairperson."

Can the MCLE exemption be used in the next compliance period?

Yes. The Resolution also states that the "MCLE exemption granted under this Resolution may be applied to any compliance period."

When will the Bar examinations be conducted?

The Bar examinations will be conducted on January 16, 23, 30, and February 6, 2022 in different testing centers nationwide.

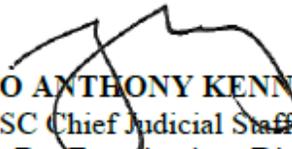
Will there be a confirmation email if I get admitted?

All volunteers who have registered online are already considered admitted to serve, unless they are disqualified based on their entries. Thereafter, they will be contacted regarding their training schedules.

Any questions or concerns about volunteer registration may be directed to sc.b5.communications@gmail.com.

For your information and guidance.

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