

## Republic of the Philippines Professional Regulation Commission Manila



## **RESOLUTION NO. 1297**

Series of 2021

## POSTPONING THE JANUARY 2021 ARCHITECTS LICENSURE EXAMINATION AND RESCHEDULING THEREOF TO JUNE 25 AND 27, 2021

**WHEREAS**, Section 7 (d) of Republic Act No. 8981 or the PRC Modernization Act of 2000 empowers the Professional Regulation Commission (Commission) to administer and conduct the licensure examinations of the various regulatory boards in accordance with the rules and regulations it may promulgate; to determine and fix the places and dates of examinations;

**WHEREAS,** the Commission issued Resolution No. 1283 (s. 2020) scheduling the licensure examinations for calendar year 2021 wherein the Architects Licensure Examination (ALE) is scheduled on January 29 and 31, 2021;

**WHEREAS,** Resolution No. 1256 (s. 2020) categorized the licensure examinations as small, medium and large-scale examinations wherein ALE is classified as a large-scale licensure examination;

WHEREAS, due to the increasing number of Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) cases in our country that lead to fear and anxiety to the health and safety of all concerned, the Commission received a joint request from United Architects of the Philippines (UAP), Integrated and Accredited Professional Organization of Architects (IAPOA), and the Council of Deans and Heads of Architecture Schools in the Philippines (CODHASP) appealing to postpone the conduct of the January 2021 ALE;

**WHEREAS**, the joint position is that due to the unpredictable circumstances brought by the extended community quarantines in Metro Manila and other parts of the country, it is imperative to ensure the health and safety of all examinees and examination administrators/personnel;

**WHEREAS,** the Professional Regulatory Board of Architecture (Board) and the Licensure Office (LO), upon further evaluation of the request, deemed it necessary to postpone the conduct of the ALE due to the continued restrictions being imposed, and to further ensure the health and safety of all concerned:

**WHEREAS**, the Board and LO recommend to the Commission the postponement of the conduct of the January 2021 ALE;

WHEREFORE, in view of the foregoing, the Commission RESOLVES, as it hereby RESOLVED, to POSTPONE the conduct of the January 29 and 31, 2021 Architects Licensure Examination and to RESCHEDULE the said examination to June 25 and 27, 2021.

Let copies of this Resolution be posted at the PRC Official website for information.

Done in the City of Manila this 8th day of January 2021.

TEOFILO S. PILANDO, JR.

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Chairman

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Commissioner

JOSE Y. CUETO, JR. Commissioner