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IN RE: PETITION FOR ACCREDITATION OF THE WEEKLY NEWSPAPER "SUNDAY TRIBUNE NEWS PUBLISHING" IN THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT OF TRECE MARTIRES CITY, CAVITE

CASE NO. TMACCRE-003-24

"SUNDAY TRIBUNE NEWS PUBLISHING" REPRESENTED BY ARNEL P. REYES,

Petitioner.

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ORDER

A verified petition for accreditation of SUNDAY TRIBUNE NEWS PUBLISHING to publish all legal notices and announcements required by law to be published in a newspaper of general circulation within the Province of Cavite, was filed on November 15, 2024 by its publisher, Arnel P. Reyes (Exhibit "A").

The Notice of Hearing dated November 19, 2024 was issued setting the petition for hearing on December 03, 2024 and all interested persons who have cause or reason to object to the grant of the same were directed to file a verified written opposition (Exhibit "B"). The said Notice of Hearing dated November 19, 2024 was posted at the bulletin board of the Regional Trial Court of Trece Martires City and in front of the Office of the Clerk of Court, Trece Martires City (Exhibit "C").

Records show that Arnel P. Reyes, publisher of SUNDAY TRIBUNE NEWS PUBLISHING and Atty. Evelyn R. Dominguez, personally appeared on November 26, 2024 for the pre-marking of the documentary exhibits to substantiate the allegations in the petition.

During the initial hearing on December 03, 2024, nobody appeared to oppose the petition. Atty. Evelyn R. Dominguez and Arnel P. Reyes personally appeared.

After going over the petition and the documentary evidence presented, the following facts were established, to wit:

SUNDAY TRIBUNE NEWS PUBLISHING is a weekly newspaper edited and published in the Province of Cavite with office address at 155, Panamitan, Kawit, Cavite with contact No. 0917 109 9191 and email address sundaytribunenewspublishing@gmail.com. Their official website is https://sundaytribune.net. It officially started its circulation on August 07, 2022 (Exhibit "S") and every week thereafter up to present, as evidenced by the fifty-two (52) uninterrupted publication and circulation of newspaper copies (Exhibits "D to "D-51") with 38,000 printed copies as of the date of its petition. The said newspaper was duly registered with the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) under Certificate of Business Name Registration No. 3993756 valid from July 07, 2022 to July 07, 2027 (Exhibit "E"). It was granted Mayor's Permit by the Office of the Municipality of Kawit, Cavite (Exhibit "F"). It was registered with the Bureau of Internal Revenue (BIR) with TIN No. 109-511-635-00000 (Exhibit "H"). The nature of business as appearing in the BIR certificate of registration is publishing of newspapers, journals and periodicals. The aforesaid newspaper is being circulated in the Province of Cavite as evidenced by a list of bonafide subscribers (Exhibit "M") and did not merely reproduce or reprint news pages of other newspapers or periodicals within the region. It also carries a commercial display advertising. Petitioner submitted a copy of the current advertising contract with commercial advertisement rates (Exhibit "K") and its official receipt (Exhibit "L"). Petitioner also submitted three (3) sample issues of newspaper (Exhibits "R" to "R-2") with the prescribed format of Presidential Decree 1079. At present, the said newspaper is not participating in the raffle of legal and judicial notices in other provinces or cities.

The pieces of evidence presented show that SUNDAY TRIBUNE NEWS PUBLISHING has all the qualifications and none of the disqualifications as set forth under A.M. No. 01-1-107-SC (Guidelines in the Accreditation of Newspapers and Periodicals Seeking to Publish Judicial and Legal Notices and Other Similar Announcements and, in the Raffle, Thereof).

IN VIEW OF THE FOREGOING, the instant petition is hereby GRANTED. SUNDAY TRIBUNE NEWS PUBLISHING is hereby allowed to participate in the raffle of judicial, legal notices and orders issued by all the courts within the jurisdiction of the Regional Trial Court of Trece Martires City, Cavite and to publish the said judicial and legal notices and orders within the Province of Cavite. The accreditation shall be valid within five (5) years from the date of approval unless suspended or revoked in accordance with the guidelines.

Petitioner is ordered to submit to the Office of the Executive Judge a copy of its newspaper before the date of each and every raffle participated in by it. The same is further ordered to faithfully comply with the following prescribed format by the Supreme Court appearing in its Circular No. 5-2002-dated January 11, 2002, to wit:

Title text size not more than 10 pts.

Body text size not more than 8 pts.

Column width not Less than 9 ems

Let SUNDAY TRIBUNE NEWS PUBLISHING be included in the list of accredited newspapers, which shall be posted in three conspicuous places Regional Trial Court Trece Martires City, Government Center Building, Trece Martires City, Cavite and in the respective bulletin boards of Municipal Trial Court in Cities, Trece Martires Martires City, Municipal Trial Court in Cities, City of General Trias, Cavite and Municipal Trial Court, Tanza Cavite.

SO ORDERED.

Trece Martires City, December 03, 2024.

URIFICACION A. BARING TUVERA

¹Pursuant to AO Number 140-2024 dated September 23, 2024