

## Republic of the Philippines Professional Regulation Commission Manila

PROFESSIONAL REGULATORY BOARD OF OPTOMETRY Resolution No. <u>02</u>

Series of 2017

## DESIGNATION OF BOARD FOCAL PERSON FOR THE EVALUATION AND APPROVAL OF APPLICATIONS FOR THE LICENSURE EXAMINATION

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WHEREAS, the Professional Regulation Commission (Commission) issued Memorandum Order No. 04, s. of 2016, on the "Streamlining of Procedures in the Preparation of Board and Commission Resolutions and other Official Issuances involving Policy Decisions and Directives; Actions and/or Decisions on Applications for the Licensure Examination, Registration without Examination, Issuance of Certificates of Accreditation, Certificates of Compliance (COCs), Certificates of Authority to Operate, Certificates of Registration of Corporations and Partnerships for the Practice of Profession and other Similar Applications";

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**WHEREAS**, Part V of the Memorandum Order mandates each Professional Regulatory Board to appoint or designate, subject to the approval of the Commission, its Focal Person who shall be primarily responsible for the evaluation and approval of applications for the professional licensure examination;

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WHEREAS, the Memorandum Order further prescribes the process cycle time within which the Board Focal Person and the concerned offices/divisions shall act on all applications filed for admission to the licensure examination;

**WHEREAS**, the Board is further directed to set the minimum standards that will guide or serve as reference for the Board Focal Person in the evaluation of all applications for the licensure examination;

WHEREAS, on November 23, 2016, an orientation meeting was held to acquaint and familiarize the Boards and the concerned offices/divisions of the Commission with the new procedure in the processing and approval of applications filed with the Boards and the Commission, including applications for admission to the licensure examination, as well as of the duties, responsibilities and accountabilities to be assumed by the appointed or designated Board Focal Person;

IN VIEW WHEREOF, the Professional Regulatory Board of Optometry hereby RESOLVES to recommend the appointment or designation of BERNARDITA A. GARCIA, Board Member, or in her absence, MARY ROSE S. PAREDES, Board Member, as the Focal Person for the evaluation and approval of applications for the licensure examination.

In addition to the specific requirements set forth in the attached Table of Qualifications and Documentary Requirements (Annex A), the following conditions shall likewise be the bases in the evaluation of applications by the duly appointed or designated Board Focal Person:

- 1. There must be submitted Certificates of Internship/Externship Training indicating the inclusive dates and the total number of hours spent in the HEI various affiliation centers; and
- 2. The proficiency grades for the Internship and Externship training given by the affiliate centers should be indicated in the individual certificate and transcript of record of the applicant.

**FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the Board may impose other conditions and limitations on the approval of applications for the licensure examination, as may be deemed proper and reasonable under the circumstances.

**FURTHERMORE RESOLVED**, that the Board Member so appointed or designated as the Focal Person shall exercise his/her duties and responsibilities within the prescribed period and strictly within the bounds of the authority granted to him/her as provided for in this Resolution and Memorandum Order No. 04, s. of 2016.

This Resolution shall take effect upon approval.

Done this <u>7th</u> day of <u>April</u>, <u>2017</u> in the City of Manila.

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