REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES REGIONAL TRIAL COURT FOURTH JUDICIAL REGION OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE JUDGE TRECE MARTIRES

RE: PETITION FOR REACCREDITATION IN THE WEEKLY RAFFLE OF JUDICIAL AND LEGAL NOTICES

TMACCRE-002-23

CAVITE WEEKLY CHRONICLE PUBLISHING AND PRINTING represented by its Publisher EMMA REYES APANAY,

Petitioner.

ORDER

A verified petition for accreditation of CAVITE WEEKLY CHRONICLE PUBLISHING and PRINTING 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 15 March 2023 by its publisher, Emma Reyes Apanay (Exhibit "A").

The Notice of Hearing dated 16 March 2023 (Exhibit "B") was issued setting the petition for hearing on 27 March 2023 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. The said Notice of Hearing dated 16 March 2023 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 Emma Reyes Apanay, publisher of CAVITE WEEKLY CHRONICLE PUBLISHING and PRINTING and Atty. Evelyn R. Dominguez personally appeared on 17 March 2023 for the pre-marking of the documentary exhibits to substantiate the allegations in the petition.

During the initial hearing on 27 March 2023, nobody appeared to oppose the petition. Atty. Alvin B. Tanguanco represented the petitioner by special appearance for this hearing only because Atty. Evelyn R. Dominguez had a conflict of schedule with today's hearing. Petitioner Emma Reyes Apanay is also present.

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

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CAVITE WEEKLY CHRONICLE PUBLISHING and PRINTING is a weekly newspaper edited and published in the Province of Cavite with editorial and office address at Purok 8, Barangay San Agustin, Trece Martires City, Cavite with contact number 0908-6395697. Its email address is caviteweeklychronicle@gmail.com. Meanwhile, its official website is caviteweeklychronicle.com (Exhibit "D"). It officially started its circulation on 18-24 May 2005 and every week thereafter up to present, as evidenced by the fifty-two (52) uninterrupted publication and circulation of newspaper copies (Exhibits "E to "E-51") with 52,000 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. 3113449 which is valid from 14 September 2021 to 14 September 2026 (Exhibit "F"). It was granted Mayor's Permit by the Office of the Mayor of Trece Martires City, Cavite (Exhibit "H"). It was registered with the Bureau of Internal Revenue (BIR) with TIN No. 302-932-190-000 (Exhibit G"). 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 per subscribers' list (Exhibit "I") 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 (Exhibit "O"), commercial advertisement rates (Exhibit "M"). 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 CAVITE WEEKLY CHRONICLE PUBLISHING and PRINTING has all the qualifications and none of the disqualifications as set forth under A.M. No. 01-1-07-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. CAVITE WEEKLY CHRONICLE PUBLISHING and PRINTING 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 and directed to simultaneously post said newspaper at the website 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 CAVITE WEEKLY CHRONICLE PUBLISHING and PRINTING be included in the list of accredited newspapers. All the accredited publishers of the Regional Trial Court of Trece Martires City shall be posted in three (3) conspicuous places with the corresponding amount/rate prescribed per column inch and a sample of the maximum font and minimum column width.

SO ORDERED.

Trece Martires City, 27 March 2023.

FLORDELIZ CABANLIT FARGAS

Executive Judge