

[PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 1755, November 24, 1980]

A DECREE AMENDING ARTICLE 1146 OF THE CIVIL CODE

WHEREAS, the transition from the period of Martial Law to that of normalcy in our present political situation requires the immediate and expeditious settlement of whatever disputes that may have arisen out of the proclamation of Martial Law, inclusive of actions for damages against public officers by those, who feel aggrieved by the action, activity or conduct of such public officers in the implementation of Martial Law;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FERDINAND E. MARCOS, by virtue of the powers vested in me. by the Constitution, do hereby decree and promulgate:

1. Article 1146 of the Civil Code of the Philippines is hereby amended to read as follows:

"The following actions must be instituted within four years:

"(1) Upon injury to the rights of the plaintiff; "(2) Upon a quasi-delicti;

"However, when the action arises from or out of any act, activity, or conduct of any public officer involving the exercise of powers or authority arising from Martial-Law including the arrest, detention and/or trial of the plaintiff, the same must be brought within are (1) year."

2. This decree takes effect immediately.

Done i n t he City of Manila, this 24th day of December, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and eighty.

(SGD.) FERDINAND E. MARCOS
President
Republic of the Philippines

By the President:

(SGD.) JUAN C. TIVERA
Senior Presidential Assistant



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