[REPUBLIC ACT NO. 4569, June 19, 1965]

AN ACT REGULATING THE PUBLICATION OF JUDICIAL NOTICES, ADVERTISEMENTS OF PUBLIC BIDDINGS, NOTICES OF AUCTION SALES AND OTHER SIMILAR NOTICES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled:

SECTION 1. All judicial notices, advertisements for public biddings, notices of auction sales and other similar notices or announcements required by law to be published in newspapers of general circulation in particular provinces and/ or cities shall be published in newspapers or publication published, edited and printed in the same city and/or province where the requirement of general circulation applies: *Provided,* That in the event there are no newspapers published in the locality, the same may be published in the newspapers published and edited in the nearest city or province: *Provided, further,* That no newspaper which has not been regularly published for at least five years before the date of publication of the notices or announcements which may be assigned to it shall be qualified to publish the said notices.

- SEC. 2. The clerk of court, sheriff or official charged with the duty of causing the publication of the said notices or advertisements shall designate a regular working day and a definite time each week during which such notices may be distributed for publication to qualified newspapers, as defined in the preceding section of this Act, which distribution shall be done by lot: *Provided*, That should the circumstances require that another day be set for the purpose, he shall notify in writing the editors and publishers concerned at least three days in advance of the designated date.
- SEC. 3. No newspaper shall charge for the publication of said notices and announcements more than three pesos per column inch nor less than two pesos and fifty centavos per column inch.
- SEC. 4. Violation of this Act shall be punished by a fine not exceeding one thousand pesos or imprisonment for not more than one year, or both.
- SEC. 5. All other Acts, rules and regulations inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed.
- SEC. 6. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Approved, June 19, 1965.