

[ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 17, November 15, 1946]

**IMPLEMENTING ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 11 CREATING
GUERRILLA AMNESTY COMMISSIONS**

To implement the provisions of Administrative Order No. 11, dated October 2, 1946, and by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, I, MANUEL ROXAS, President of the Philippines, do hereby create and appoint an additional Guerilla Amnesty Commission which is hereby designated as the PHILIPPINE ARMY AMNESTY COMMISSION, consisting of the following officers:

Colonel Luis P. Torres, JAGS
Major Fred Ruiz Castro, JAGS
Major Sixto S. J. Carlos, JAGS

The Philippine Army Amnesty Commission shall take cognizance of all cases of persons subject to military law and falling within the terms of Amnesty Proclamation No. 8.

No member of the Philippine Army Amnesty Commission shall sit as member of a court-martial to try and decide any case which he may have previously passed upon as a member of the Commission.

The appointing authority of any court-martial shall submit to the Philippine Army Amnesty Commission thru the Adjutant General, Philippine Army, all cases in which the accused claims the benefits of Amnesty Proclamation No. 8, dated September 7, 1946.

In conducting hearings and rendering decisions on cases submitted to it, said Commission shall be governed by such rules and regulations applicable to the Commission created under Administrative Order No. 11, dated October 2, 1946, as are not inconsistent with rules and regulations of special application to the said Philippine Army Amnesty Commission. The Secretary of National Defense is hereby authorized to promulgate rules and regulations for the purpose of expediting the work of the Philippine Army Amnesty Commission.

Any temporary vacancy in the Philippine Army Amnesty Commission shall be filled by the Secretary of National Defense.

Such stenographers, civilian employees and transportation facilities of the Philippine Army as may be needed by the Philippine Army Amnesty Commission shall be made available to it by the Chief of Staff, Philippine Army.

Done at the City of Manila, this 15th day of November, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and forty-six, and of the Independence of the Philippines, the