[EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 40, June 25, 1936]

REORGANIZING THE BUREAU OF JUSTICE

WHEREAS, in order to promote efficiency and effect economy in the administration of the Bureau of Justice, it is found necessary and expedient to effect of reorganization of the legal staff of said office by the standardization and adoption of a new scale of salaries therefore, so as to permit the employment of, and retain in the service, duly qualified attorneys, with the experience and ability necessary to properly handle the legal work entrusted to said office; and

WHEREAS, in view of the elevation of the Solicitor General under the Reorganization Act (Act Numbered Four thousand seven), to the position of Head of the Bureau of Justice and principal law officer of the Government, the salary heretofore provided for, and the rank accorded him, is no longer commensurate to the importance and dignity of his office;

Now, therefore, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution and the existing laws, and in pursuance of the provisions of section three of Commonwealth Act Numbered Five, I, Manuel L. Quezon, President of the Philippines, hereby order and decree that:

1. The Bureau of Justice shall have one Chief to be known as the Solicitor General whose salary shall be the same as that of a Judge of the Court of First Instance of the City of Manila, and who shall have the rank and privileges, consideration and honor, of an Under Secretary of a Department.

2. To assist the Solicitor General in the performance of his duties, there shall be in the Bureau of Justice:

P 18,000
10,800
13,500
18,000
15,000
9,600

3. The unexpended balances of appropriations made for salaries of the Solicitor