

**[ ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 03, March 12, 2018 ]**

**TRANSITORY GUIDELINES PENDING ACTION ON  
ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 5, S. OF 2017**

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Administrative Order (A.O.) No. 5, series of 2017 was issued primarily to repeal Section 29 of A.O. No. 7, series of 2011. Under the said previous rule, the LAD process shall only proceed until the issuance of the Memorandum of Valuation (MOV) in the event that there is a pending protest action. Under A.O. No. 5, series of 2017, the LAD process shall continue up to the issuance of the CLOA even in the presence of any protest action.

A.O. No. 6, series of 2017, on the other hand was issued, to suspend the operation of Pars. IV-B, IV-C, IV-E and IV-G of A.O. No. 5, series of 2017 and to subject such provisions to further studies by the Policy Review and Formulation Committee.

The provisions under review by the PRFC shall not be enforced unless the suspension is recalled by the Secretary. The other provisions of A.O. No. 5, series of 2017 remain in full force and effect.

The partial suspension of A.O. No. 5, series of 2017 notwithstanding, there is a need to clarify on the effect of any protest action on the LAD Process.

Thus, pending the completion of the review of the aforesaid provisions of A.O. No. 5, s. of 2017, any and all on-going LAD processes shall continue despite the presence of any protest action. It shall no longer stop until the issuance of the MOV, but shall proceed up to the issuance of the title in the name of the Republic of the Philippines.

This Administrative Order shall take effect ten (10) days after its publication in two (2) national newspapers of general circulation.

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*Secretary*



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