

**[PRC BOARD OF GUIDANCE AND COUNSELING
BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 05, S. OF 2008, July 15,
2008]**

**CODE OF ETHICS FOR REGISTERED AND LICENSED GUIDANCE
COUNSELORS**

WHEREAS, ETHICS refers to, "A system of moral principles or values; the rules or standards governing the conduct of members of a profession; accepted principles of right or wrong;" and establishes the means of doing what is right, fair, and honest;

WHEREAS, the Professional Regulatory Board of Guidance and Counseling is empowered to "(i) [P]romulgate rules and regulations including the Code of Ethics for Guidance and Counselors xxxx" and "(r) [A]dopt measures necessary and proper for the high and ethical and professional standards in the maintenance of the practice of the profession;" "(j) [I]nvestigate violations xxx of the Code of Ethics for Guidance Counselors"; (I) [R]ender decision, order or resolution or in preliminary in or inquiry against violators xxx of the Code of Ethics for Guidance and Counselors xxx"; "(k) [I]ssue, suspend, revoke, or reissue any certificate of registration xxx" (Sec. 5. Powers, Functions of the Board, Art. II of R.A. No. 9258, known as the "Guidance and Counseling Act of 2004");

WHEREAS, Sec. 24, Art. II of R.A. No. 9258 states, to wit: "Sec. 24 xxx. The Certificate of Registration may be revoked or suspended xxx for violation of the Code of Ethics xxx";

WHEREAS, "An y unethical practice of guidance counseling as may be defined in the Code of Ethics xxx to be prepared by the Board in consultation with guidance counselors is prohibited"; (Par. Four of Sec. 24, Art. III of R.A. No. 9258); and

WHEREAS, "the Board, pursuant to the power thereof afore-quoted under Sec. (i), Art. II of R.A. No. 9258, drafted the Code of Ethics for Guidance Counselors and submitted the same to the Commission for the approval of the latter as part of the rules and regulations of the Guidance and Counseling Act of 2004";

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board resolves, as it is hereby resolved, to promulgate and issue the "Code of Ethics for Registered and Licensed Guidance Counselors" marked as Annex "A[*]" and made an integral part of this Resolution and the Rules and Regulations of R.A. No. 9258.

This Resolution shall take effect after fifteen (15) days following the full and complete publication thereof in the Official Gazette, or in any newspapers of general circulation in the Philippines.

Let a copy hereof be forwarded to the *Interim* Professional Organization of Guidance and Counselors and/or the Registered and Accredited Integrated National Organization of Registered and Licensed Guidance Counselors.