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ATTENDANCE TO THE CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION (CPE) COURSES OFFERED BY CPE COUNCIL AND PRC ACCREDITED CPE PROVIDERS AS A REQUIREMENT FOR ALL PROFESSIONALS TO BE IN GOOD STANDING AND GLOBALLY COMPETITIVE

WHEREAS, Section 14, Article XII of the 1987 Philippine Constitution provides in part that "[T]he sustained development of a reservoir of national talents xxx professionals xxx shall be promoted by the State;"

WHEREAS, the Professional Regulation Commission (PRC), under Section 7 (a), (n), and (y) of Republic Act No. 8981, otherwise known as the "PRC Modernization Act of 2000" has these specific powers:

- "(a) to administer, implement and enforce the regulatory policies of the national government with respect to the regulation and licensing of the various professions and occupations under its jurisdiction including the enhancement and maintenance of professional and occupational standards and ethics and the enforcement of the rules and regulations relative thereto;"
- "(n) To adopt and promulgate such rules and regulations as may be necessary to effectively implement policies with respect to the regulation and practice of the professions;"
- "(y) To perform such other functions and duties as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act, the various professional regulatory laws, decrees, executive orders and other administrative issuances;"

WHEREAS, Section 9 (b) of R.A. 8981 provides that one of the Powers, Functions and Responsibilities of the Various Professional Regulatory Boards (PRBs) is "(T)o monitor the conditions affecting the practice of the profession or occupation under their respective jurisdictions and whenever necessary, adopt such measures as may be deemed proper for the enhancement of the profession or occupation and/or the maintenance of high professional, ethical and technical standards, xxx;"

WHEREAS, the President of the Republic of the Philippines issued on June 23, 2003, Executive Order (E.O.) No. 220, "[D]irecting the Adoption of the Code of Good Governance for the Professions in the Philippines;"

WHEREAS, the said Code was adopted by PRC and the PRBs embodying the principles of professional conduct specifically, integrity, and objectivity, professional competence and global competitiveness;"