[PRC RESOLUTION NO. 217, May 14, 1992]

DELISTING OF NAMES OF DELINQUENT PROFESSIONALS FROM THE ROLLS OF REGISTERED PROFESSIONALS

WHEREAS many registered professionals, after payment of the initial registration fee, have been remiss in the payment of the annual registration fee as mandated by *Section 3 of R.A. No. 6511*, on account of diverse factors;

WHEREAS Section 3 of R.A. 6511 pertinently states, in part, to wit: "That after the lapse of five continuous years from the year it was last paid if the annual registration has never been paid, the delinquent's certificate of registration shall be considered suspended and his name shall be dropped from the annual roster for not having been in good standing and may be reinstated only upon application and payment of the fee herein provided for registration without examination", (underscoring supplied);

WHEREAS the Commission prescribed *Sec. 40, Art. III of the "Rules and Regulations Governing the Regulation and Practice of Professionals"* to carry out the aforequoted provisions of Section 3; and,

WHEREAS the penalty imposed under *Sec. 40* aforementioned is valid and enforceable, inasmuch as the law: *R.A. No. 6511* upon which the formulation thereof was premised contains a penalty in *Sec. 3* thereof (146 SCRA 120 *Tayug-Rural Bank vs. Central Bank of the Philippines*),

NOW, THEREFORE, the Commission hereby RESOLVED, as it so resolves:

- 1. to direct the professional regulatory boards to suspend the certificates of registration of registered professionals who have been delinquent in the payment of the annual registration fees for five (5) continuous years from the year it was last paid based on the list of delinquent professionals submitted by the Registration Division, and, accordingly, to delist their names from the Rolls of Registered Professionals with or without surrender of the said certificates.
- 2. that, prior to the enforcement of the foregoing action, every delinquent registrant shall be duly notified about the Commission's intention at his/her address on file with his/her records and accorded within thirty (30) days from receipt of the said notice to either make good his/her delinquency or submit his/her reason therefor. Valid justification may warrant the deferment of the suspension and delisting within a reasonable period of thirty (30) days from the date of receipt of the Boards' action on such deferment. If practicable, in certain cases, substitute service by publication in the Official Gazette or any newspaper of general circulation pursuant to the Rules of Court may be allowed.
- 3. that, prior to such suspension and delisting, the names of the delinquent