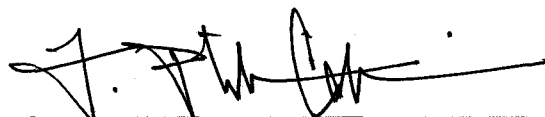


**PUBLIC DEFENDER SERVICE CORPORATION  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
RELATIVE TO A MORATORIUM INVOLVING  
CIVIL AND DOMESTIC CASES  
DUE TO BUDGETARY CONSTRAINTS**

**RESOLUTION NO. 02-03**

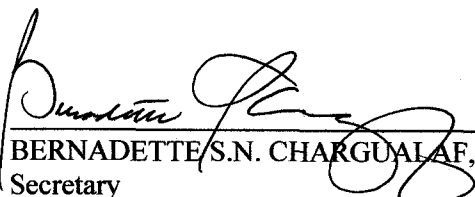
- WHEREAS,** The Canons of Ethics require that attorneys only handle a reasonable number of cases so as to be able to provide appropriate service to all clients and not to take on more clients than an attorney is able to adequately assist; and
- WHEREAS,** The Public Defender Service Corporation, as with other Government of Guam entities, is currently suffering from budgetary cuts but continues to see an increase of client cases; and
- WHEREAS,** This situation requires the Public Defender Service Corporation to limit the number of cases that each attorney is handling or face the possibility of malpractice with regard to some cases; now therefore be it
- RESOLVED,** The Board of Trustees of the Public Defender Service Corporation, in its meeting of June 3, 2003, directed the Executive Director to limit the caseload of the Corporation with regard to civil and domestic cases to require that the agency handle only new domestic and civil cases which involve violence or the threat of violence, and in addition, uncontested guardianships primarily for medical insurance purposes; be it further
- RESOLVED,** The aforesaid limitations shall commence immediately, and continue in effect until October 31, 2003.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED** this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of June, 2003.



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CHIEF JUSTICE F. PHILIP CARBULLIDO,  
Chairman

ATTEST:



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BERNADETTE S.N. CHARGUALAF,  
Secretary