



**BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE  
PUBLIC DEFENDER SERVICE CORPORATION  
RELATIVE TO EXTENDING OUR  
PROFOUND GRATITUDE  
TO EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR  
*Eric Donn Miller*  
FOR HIS DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE  
PUBLIC DEFENDER SERVICE CORPORATION**

**Resolution No. PDSC 12-16**

**WHEREAS**, on June 6, 1983, Attorney Eric D. Miller commenced his employment as an Attorney II at the Public Defender Service Corporation (PDSC) of Guam and two (2) years later becoming the Deputy Director of PDSC from February 6, 1985 through December 12, 1986; and

**WHEREAS**, Executive Director Miller relocated to Guam to be the Executive Director of the Public Defender Service Corporation from August 29, 2011 through March 11, 2016; and

**WHEREAS**, during his tenure as Executive Director, Attorney Miller realized many accomplishments despite the fact that across the nation, to include Guam, public defender offices were under-funded, under-staffed and inundated with enormous caseloads, resulting in a fundamentally unfair criminal justice system; and

**WHEREAS**, Executive Director Miller has spent the last five (5) years of his legal career in Guam committed to changing the standard of practice for defendants who are caught in the criminal justice system and are unable to afford an attorney by increasing efficiencies within the PDSC and ensuring that all employees within the Corporation are dedicated to changing the culture of indigent representation and systemic reform; and

**WHEREAS**, Executive Director Miller has worked tirelessly with the Judiciary of Guam and the Guam Bar Association in helping to build the Public Defender Service Corporation into one of the most highly respected government of Guam organizations in the territory; and

**WHEREAS**, throughout his career as Executive Director, Attorney Miller has lived the mission of the Guam Public Defender Service Corporation by ensuring equal access to justice and the protection of individual rights by providing legal representation and services to persons who cannot afford a private attorney. Through his leadership, the Public Defender Service Corporation continues to foster understanding of, involvement in and access to the justice system; and

**WHEREAS**, Executive Director Miller was instrumental in the formulation of a 5-year strategic plan; employee recognition program; the successful celebration of the Corporation's 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary; bringing hands on legal clinics for public defender attorneys; and developing a "Grants" section within PDSC; and

**WHEREAS**, after 8 years of exemplary service to the Public Defender Service Corporation, Eric D. Miller has decided to retire as Executive Director of the Guam Public Defender Service Corporation as of March 11, 2016 to enjoy the passage of time with family and friends.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**


The Board of Trustees of the Public Defender Service Corporation, in its meeting February 25, 2016 meeting, conveys its deepest *Un Dangkolo na Si Yu'us Må'åse* to Eric Donn Miller for distinguished service to the legal profession and the community and congratulates him on the occasion of his retirement as Executive Director.


**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED THIS 25th day of February, 2016.**

  
Chief Justice ROBERT J. TORRES  
Chairman

  
Attorney JEHAN'AD MARTINEZ  
President, Guam Bar Association  
Board Trustee

  
Presiding Judge ALBERTO C. LAMORENA III  
Vice-Chairman

  
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