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Håfa Adai Clerks Office,

Please see attached, **Messages & Communications Doc. No. 38GL-26-2979 through 2983** for processing:

✓	38GL-26-2979	Office of the Mayor - Municipality of Barrigada	FY2026 Appropriated Funds (VOMBS-GF- GEFF) Account for 4th Quarter*
✓	38GL-26-2980	Guam Power Authority	Documents Relative to Small Purchases and Sole Source and Emergency Purchases for the month of September 2026*
✓	38GL-26-2981	Government of Guam Retirement Fund	Small Purchases, Construction Costs, Sole Source and Emergency Purchases covering the period from July 1, 2026 to September 30, 2026*
✓	38GL-26-2982	Judiciary of Guam	Judicial Council of Guam Regular Meeting Packet for September 24, 2026*
✓	38GL-26-2983	Guam Power Authority	FY2026 4th Quarter Staffing Pattern and Biannual Justification Report for Appointments of Unclassified Employees as of September 30, 2026*

Kindly reply to this email.



Si Yu'os ma'åse',

Marie Crisostomo

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Messages and Communications 38GL-26-2982*

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Speaker Frank Blas Jr. <speakerblas@guamlegislature.gov>

Fri, Oct 9, 2026 at 4:52 PM

To: 38th Committee On Rules <committeeonrules@guamlegislature.gov>, Sabrina Salas Matanane <office.senatorbri@guamlegislature.gov>

Håfa adai,

Please see attached M&C Doc. No. 38GL-26-2982

38GL-26-2982	Judiciary of Guam	Judicial Council of Guam Regular Meeting Packet for September 24, 2026*
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*Si Yu'os Ma'åse'**Bernice Rivera*

Administrative Assistant

**Office of Speaker Frank F. Blas, Jr.****I Mina'trentai Ocho na Liheslaturan Guåhan 38th Guam Legislature****Guam Congress Building, 163 Chalan Santo Papa, Hagåtña****(671)969-6456****speakerblas@guamlegislature.gov**

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Date: Thu, Oct 8, 2026 at 4:00 PM

Subject: M&C: Judicial Council of Guam Meeting Packet Submission for September 24, 2026 Regular Meeting

To: speakerblas@guamlegislature.gov <speakerblas@guamlegislature.gov>Cc: Jessica Perez-Jackson <jperezjackson@guamcourts.gov>, Nathan M. Tennyson <ntennyson@guamcourts.gov>, Alexander J. Ford <aford@guamcourts.gov>

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*Si Yu'us ma'åse' yan pue di ha' tod u maolek.**(Thank you and have a great day.)**Respectfully,**Shelterihna Alokoo*

Executive Secretary, Judicial Council of Guam

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 **September 24, 2026 Judicial Council Regular Meeting Agenda and Materials Packet.pdf**
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Great. Thanks, Bernice!

*Si Yu'us ma'åse' yan pueti ha' todü maolek.**(Thank you and have a great day.)**Respectfully,**Shelterihna Alokoa*Judicial Assistant for the **Honorable Katherine A. Maraman**

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REGULAR MEETING
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2026 | 12:00 PM
GUAM JUDICIAL CENTER
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AGENDA

- I. CALL TO ORDER**
- II. PROOF OF DUE NOTICE OF MEETING:** September 17, 2026
September 22, 2026
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- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- III. ATTENDANCE
- IV. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF PUBLIC NOTICE (SEPT. 18 & SEPT. 22 2026)
- V. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: 25 SEPTEMBER 2026
- VI. ADJUTANT'S REPORT:
- VII. GOVA-STATE DIRECTOR'S REPORT
- VIII. NEW BUSINESS
- A. GVC EXECUTIVE BOARD: CHAIRMAN, 1ST VICE CHAIR, 2ND VICE CHAIR, FINANCE OFFICER. APPOINTED POSITIONS: ADJUTANT, JUDGE ADVOCATE AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS.
- B. GVC REPORTS: REQUEST FOR VETERAN'S ORGANIZATION INPUT.
- C. GVC BY-LAWS: DISCUSSION
- D. GVC COMMITTEES: DISCUSSION OF 9 COMMITTEES
- E. DEPT. OF VETERANS AFFAIRS, WASHINGTON D.C., MEETING UPDATE
- F. PUBLIC HEARING SYNOPSIS: 2 SEPTEMBER 2026
- G. CREATION OF GVC COMMITTEE TO AMEND BILL NO. 255-38
- IX. OLD BUSINESS:
- A. CEMETERY EQUIPMENT: 1 FUNCTIONING LIFTING DEVICE
- B. CEMETERY EXPANSION
- C. COMMISSION ELECTIONS
- D. OPPOSITION TO BILL 255-38
- X. PUBLIC COMMENTS: 2 MINUTES
- XI. ANNOUNCEMENT
- XII. NEXT MEETING
- XIII. ADJOURNMENT

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- I. CALL TO ORDER.
- II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: None.
- III. NEW BUSINESS:
- Motion Hearing
- (1) Tricia Alconaba vs. Department of Education; CSC 26-GRE06
- IV. OLD BUSINESS: None.
- V. GENERAL BUSINESS:
- (1) Bills and Laws affecting CSC.
- (2) Administrative Matters:
- (A) Board Training; Civil Service Commission Board Members.
- VI. ADJOURNMENT.

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Time: 12:30 p.m. Place: GGRF Conference Room

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DEFINED CONTRIBUTION I. Call to Order; II. Review and Approval of Board Minutes: A. 8/19/2026 Regular Meeting; III. Correspondence: A. None; IV. Director's Report; V. Third Party Administrator's Report: A. Contribution Report August 2026; VI. Standing Committee Reports: A. Investment Committee – 1. Action on Fund Manager(s) – Searches; 2. Action on Fund Manager(s) – Watch; B. Members and Benefits Committee; VII. Old Business: A. None; VIII. New Business: A. None; IX. Open Discussion / General Public Input; X. Announcements; XI. Adjournment

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/s/ Paula M. Blas, Director

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JUDICIAL COUNCIL OF GUAM REGULAR MEETING

Thursday, July 16, 2026

Justice Monessa G. Lujan Appellate Courtroom
Guam Judicial Center

★★★★

Hon. Katherine A. Maraman
Chair

Hon. F. Philip Carbullido
Member

Hon. Robert J. Torres
Member

Hon. Alberto C. Lamorena, III.
Member

Hon. Maria T. Cenzon
Member

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Advisory Committee Members:

Hon. Arthur R. Barcinas

Hon. Vernon P. Perez

Hon. Elyze M. Iriarte

Hon. Dana A. Gutierrez

Hon. Alberto E. Tolentino

Hon. John C. Terlaje

Atty. Jacqueline T. Terlaje

Atty. Dean A. Manglona

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Administrator of the Courts:
Danielle T. Rosete

Judicial Council Secretary:
Shelterihna Alokoa

Judicial Council Asst. Secretary:
Jessica J. Perez-Jackson

MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the Judicial Council was called to order by the Chair, Chief Justice Katherine A. Maraman, at the hour of 11:59 a.m.

ROLL CALL:

Chief Justice Katherine A. Maraman
Justice F. Philip Carbullido
Justice Robert J. Torres
Presiding Judge Alberto C. Lamorena III (excused)
Judge Maria T. Cenzon

Present in the Justice Monessa G. Lujan Appellate Courtroom:

Ms. Danielle T. Rosete, Administrator of the Courts
Ms. Sophia Santos Diaz, Deputy Administrator
Ms. Hannah Gutierrez Arroyo, Clerk of Court, Supreme Court
Ms. Janice Camacho-Perez, Clerk of Court, Superior Court
Ms. Dianne O. Gudmalin, Chief Financial Officer
Mr. Noli M. Sanchez, Finance Administrator
Ms. Geraldine Cepeda, Compiler of Laws/GLL Executive Director
Mr. Leo S. Diaz, Marshal of the Court
Ms. Trisha T. Suzuki, Deputy Chief Probation Officer
Ms. Grace Lapid Rosadino, Court Programs Administrator
Ms. Maria Erica Eschbach, Staff Attorney, Supreme Court
Ms. Alexander J. Ford, Staff Attorney
Mr. Nathan Tennyson, Staff Attorney
Ms. Lisa V. Baza, Judicial Educator
Mr. Robert Rabago, Management Information Systems Administrator
Mr. Baldwin Quibuyen, MIS Planning & System Design Supervisor
Mr. Andrew Perez, Public Guardian
Ms. Joleen F. Respicio, MIS Program Coordinator IV
Ms. Rachel Orsini, Court Archivist, C&M
Ms. Christine Untalan, CSFC
Ms. Nette Cruz, CSFC
Ms. Brianne Balbas, Chamber Administrator
Ms. Pauline I. U. Santos, Chamber Administrator
Ms. Christina Duenas, Marshals

Ms. Christina Sablan, Marshals
Ms. Pia Quichocho, Marshals
Ms. Yvette Blas-Ananich, Probation Officer
Ms. Jeanne Chargualaf, Probation Officer
Ms. Alicia Williams, Parole Officer
Ms. Shonna Nededog, Parole Officer
Ms. Anna Kuper, Parole Officer
Director Micheal Quinata, Parole Officer
Mr. Dean Taitague, Parole Officer
Ms. Jessica Perez-Jackson, Judicial Council Assistant Secretary
Ms. Shelterihna T. Alokoa, Judicial Council Executive Secretary

Present via Zoom:

Mr. Jesse Franquez, IFIK President
Attorney Jacque Terlaje, GBA President
Attorney Dean Manglona

II. PROOF OF DUE NOTICE OF MEETING

Due publication of the Notices of Meeting of the Judicial Council, as required under the Open Government Law, was published in the Guam Daily Post on May 14 and May 19. Acknowledgments are on file.

III. DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

Chief Justice Katherine A. Maraman conducted the roll call. Justice F. Philip Carbullido, Justice Robert J. Torres, and Judge Maria T. Cenzone were present. Presiding Judge Alberto C. Lamorena III was excused due to off-island travel. **A quorum was established with four (4) members present.**

IV. READING AND DISPOSAL OF MINUTES: May 21, 2026 Regular Meeting minutes.

The minutes of the May 21, 2026 Judicial Council meeting were presented for approval. **Chief Justice Maraman asked for a motion to approve the minutes. Justice Torres moved to approve the May 21, 2026 minutes, and seconded by Judge Cenzone. With no objections, the minutes were approved subject to correction.**

V. OLD BUSINESS

A. Judiciary FY 2026 Remittances Pursuant to Applicable Law

CFO Dianne Gudmalin reported to the Council on the FY2026 Allotment Report, stating that she has received approximately 62% of the total appropriated amount for general operations to date, totaling \$26,929,000. Ms. Gudmalin noted that bi-weekly allotments are current and up to date. She further stated that the most recent allotment was deposited the day of the meeting, May 21, and she expects the next allotment to be received on May 26.

Administrator of the Courts Danielle T. Rosete to provide an update on the Fiscal Year 2027 budget bill then before the Guam Legislature. Administrator Rosete reported that the Legislature remained in budget session and had completed discussion of the chapters concerning the Judiciary's budget. She stated that

the chapter concerning Criminal Justice Automation Commission contributions for law enforcement agencies had also closed without issue. She further reported that the Judiciary was monitoring a miscellaneous provision that would extend the Criminal Law Review Commission through September 30, 2027. Administrator Rosete stated that the overall appropriation allocated to the Judiciary in the substitute budget bill remained at the FY 2026 level. She concluded that the Legislature remained in session and had not yet taken a final vote on the entire budget bill.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. Resolution, JC 26- Relative to Proclaiming the Week of July 19 – 25, 2026 as Pretrial, Probation, and Parole Supervision Week

Chief Justice Maraman introduced the resolution proclaiming July 19 through July 25, 2026 as Pretrial, Probation, Parole, and Community Supervision Week. Deputy Chief Probation Officer Trish Suzuki recognized Acting Department of Corrections Director Ron Santos, Chief Parole Officer Michael Quinata, and parole staff in attendance. Ms. Suzuki stated that the American Probation and Parole Association announced this year's theme, "Connected for Change: Building Bridges in Supervision". She explained that the observance recognizes professionals who promote justice, enhance public safety, support positive change, balance accountability with rehabilitation, and assist individuals in addressing challenges that contribute to criminal behavior. Ms. Suzuki also expressed appreciation for the Judiciary's leadership and partnership in community supervision and specialty court programs and thanked probation and parole professionals for their dedication, resilience, and public service.

Judge Maria T. Cenzone expressed her support for the resolution and stated that the courts work closely with probation and parole officers. She commended the officers for tirelessly assisting the courts and helping clients comply with the conditions of probation and parole. **Judge Cenzone stated that the officers go above and beyond their required duties and moved to approve the resolution.** The other Council members joined Judge Cenzone in thanking probation and parole officers for their service. **Justice Torres thanked the officers and seconded the motion.** Chief Justice Maraman stated that the motion had been made and seconded and called for the vote. **She announced that all four (4) Council members present voted in favor and that the resolution was unanimously adopted.** Chief Justice Maraman thanked the parole officers and Acting Director Santos for attending the meeting.

B. Resolution, JC 26- Relative to Celebrating the USA's 250th Anniversary

Chief Justice Maraman introduced a resolution celebrating the 250th anniversary of the United States and commemorating the Declaration of Independence. She stated that Presiding Judge Lamorena had requested the resolution and noted that it had been signed during the Judiciary's flag-raising ceremony earlier in the month.

C. Resolution, JC 26- Relative to Ratifying the USA Anniversary Resolution

Chief Justice Maraman introduced a companion resolution ratifying the adoption of the United States 250th Anniversary resolution and asked for a motion on Agenda Items VI.B. and VI.C. together. **Justice Torres moved to adopt both resolutions, and Judge Cenzone seconded the motion. Chief Justice Maraman restated that the motions concerned the resolution celebrating the United States' 250th anniversary**

and the companion resolution ratifying its adoption. All four (4) Council members present voted in favor and both resolutions were unanimously adopted.

D. Resolution, JC 26- Relative to Approving the Above Step Recruitment for Jury Commissioner

Chief Justice Maraman introduced the petition for above-step recruitment for Jury Commissioner and called on Administrator Rosete to present the item. Administrator Rosete requested the Judicial Council's approval, pursuant to 4 GCA § 6205, of an above-step recruitment for Pauline Untalan Santos as Jury Commissioner at Pay Grade O, Step 7, based on Ms. Santos's exceptional qualifications. She explained that the Jury Commissioner is a classified position and that hiring above Step 1 requires Judicial Council approval under the Judiciary's personnel rules and applicable Guam law. Administrator Rosete stated that the position manages and administers the court's jury system, ensures the presence and availability of qualified jurors for trial jury selections and grand jury proceedings, and oversees the efficiency and cost effectiveness of jury operations.

Administrator Rosete stated that Ms. Santos was selected from a certification of eligibles established through an open and promotional job announcement held from May 14 through May 28. She reported that Ms. Santos has approximately 32 years of public service in Guam's justice system, including approximately 25 years with the Judiciary. Administrator Rosete explained that Ms. Santos has served in progressively responsible court positions, including as an assistant clerk, deputy clerk, and courtroom/chambers clerk. She further noted that Ms. Santos served as Administrator of the Victim Service Center and as Notary Administrator at the Office of the Attorney General, where she supervised staff, administered grant requirements, developed procedures, and coordinated victim-service initiatives.

Justice Torres moved to approve the above-step recruitment of Pauline Untalan Santos as Jury Commissioner at Pay Grade O, Step 7, and Judge Cenzone seconded the motion. Chief Justice Maraman called for the vote. All four (4) Council members present voted in favor; the resolution was unanimously approved.

*Chief Justice Maraman called a brief recess following this item for a photograph with the probation and parole personnel present. She later called the meeting back to order.

E. Certificates of Recognition to Judiciary Employee

Administrator Rosete introduced certificates of recognition honoring Judiciary employees for two areas of service. She recognized Colonel Joseph Leon Guerrero for his longstanding work representing the Judiciary in Criminal Justice Information Services matters and for his appointment to the National Crime Prevention and Privacy Compact Council. She highlighted his work supporting Guam's criminal justice information systems, law enforcement information sharing, fingerprinting and background-check compliance, and the Criminal Justice Automation Commission. Justice Carbullido stated that the appointment reflected national recognition of Colonel Leon Guerrero's expertise and emphasized that it strengthened Guam's voice in criminal history information, privacy protection, public safety policy, and national standards affecting Guam's justice system. Justice Torres, speaking as chair of the Criminal Justice Automation Commission, echoed the recognition of Colonel Leon Guerrero's contributions to CJAC and CJIS and congratulated him on the national appointment. Chief Justice Maraman joined in congratulating Colonel Leon Guerrero and thanked him for his longstanding support of law enforcement officers.

Chief Justice Maraman turned the meeting over to Justice Robert J. Torres for the recognition of Judiciary employees involved in the new case management systems. Justice Torres thanked the employees for their hard work, patience, and professionalism during the transition, development, and implementation from JustWare to the new eCourt and eSupervision case management systems. He stated that a change of that magnitude required training, flexibility, problem-solving, and a willingness to learn new ways of working while continuing to keep the courts open and serve the public. Justice Torres thanked the employees for supporting one another, working through challenges, and remaining committed to the Judiciary's mission. Chief Justice Maraman joined Justice Torres in thanking the employees and stated that they had undertaken a difficult challenge. She noted that adjustments and complaints remained but stated that employees were becoming accustomed to and appreciative of the new system. Chief Justice Maraman then called a brief recess for the presentation of certificates of recognition.

F. Notice of the Next Meeting (Thursday, August 20, 2026)

Chief Justice Maraman announced the next meeting would be on the usual third Thursday of next month so August 20, 2026.

VII. COMMUNICATIONS

A. Letter Appointing Dean Manglona as Lawyer Advisory Member

Chief Justice Maraman announced the reappointment of Attorney Dean Manglona as a lawyer advisory member of the Judicial Council for another three-year term. She thanked Mr. Manglona for continuing to serve. Attorney Manglona thanked the Council for the appointment and stated that he looked forward to serving another three years.

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT

A. Guam Bar Association Board (GBA) – President's Report

GBA President Jacque Terlaje reported that the Guam Bar Association had launched a Young Lawyer Mentoring Program. She explained that the program matches young lawyers with more experienced attorneys through health and wellness activities and social check-ins. President Terlaje stated that the program currently had ten participants and was expected to continue through the end of the year. She further reported that the program was fully funded by the National Asian Pacific American Bar Association and expressed appreciation for the grant supporting the mentoring program.

President Terlaje also reported that the Guam Bar Association was entering its 2027-2029 election cycle. She stated that the required notices under the GBA bylaws and rules would begin in August and that the annual registration and certification period was scheduled to open in October. President Terlaje further reported that the Guam Bar Justice Foundation, established in 2025 as a local nonprofit foundation, had an application for federal nonprofit recognition pending and anticipated approval in the near future.

B. Court Employees Association

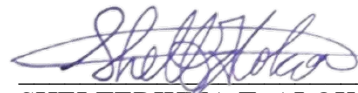
IFIK President Jesse Franquez reported that the annual Race Judicata 5K had been rescheduled to Sunday, September 6, due to all the typhoon weather and recovery. He encouraged Judiciary employees and managers to support registration and stated that proceeds would benefit the Guam Bar Justice Foundation. Mr. Franquez reported that approximately \$5,800 in sponsorship donations had been received, with an additional \$1,500 anticipated, exclusive of registration proceeds.

Mr. Franquez also reported that IFIK was conducting fittings for its annual member jackets and would hold its regular payday bake sale the following day. He thanked employees who volunteered their time to support IFIK fundraising activities and advised that race registration would remain open through race day. In response to a question, Mr. Franquez confirmed that employees could place advance orders for the bake sale through their IFIK representatives, subject to availability.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Judge Cenzone moved to adjourn until Thursday, August 20, 2026. Justice Carbullido seconded and with no objections, the meeting adjourned at 12:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted this 24th day of September, 2026.



SHELTERIHNA T. ALOKOA

Executive Secretary

Judicial Council of Guam

As set out above, the Minutes of the July 16, 2026 Regular Meeting were approved by the Judicial Council at the September 24, 2026 Regular Meeting.



KATHERINE A. MARAMAN

Chair

Judicial Council of Guam

Judiciary of Guam
FY 2027 - Group Health Insurance Program Rates

MEDICAL RATES						
HSA 2000						
Class	TAKE CARE - HSA 2000			SELECT CARE - HSA 2000		
	Judiciary	Employee	Premium Rates (Bi-Weekly)	Judiciary	Employee	Premium Rates (Bi-Weekly)
Class 1	\$83.89	\$-00	\$83.89	\$83.89	\$39.23	\$123.12
Class 2	\$208.56	\$-00	\$208.56	\$208.56	\$97.55	\$306.11
Class 3	\$170.64	\$-00	\$170.64	\$170.64	\$79.80	\$250.44
Class 4	\$284.40	\$-00	\$284.40	\$284.40	\$133.01	\$417.41
PPO 1000						
Class	TAKE CARE - PPO 1000			SELECT CARE - PPO 1000		
	Judiciary	Employee	Premium Rates (Bi-Weekly)	Judiciary	Employee	Premium Rates (Bi-Weekly)
Class 1	\$247.46	\$52.06	\$299.52	\$247.46	\$105.35	\$352.81
Class 2	\$546.19	\$119.33	\$665.52	\$546.19	\$237.75	\$783.94
Class 3	\$453.72	\$90.78	\$544.50	\$453.72	\$187.66	\$641.38
Class 4	\$738.04	\$169.50	\$907.54	\$738.04	\$330.98	\$1,069.02

DENTAL RATES						
DENTAL 1000						
Class	TAKE CARE - DENTAL 1000			SELECT CARE - DENTAL 1000		
	Judiciary	Employee	Premium Rates (Bi-Weekly)	Judiciary	Employee	Premium Rates (Bi-Weekly)
Class 1	\$26.96	\$0.71	\$27.67	\$26.96	\$-00	\$26.96
Class 2	\$59.27	\$1.57	\$60.84	\$59.27	\$-00	\$59.27
Class 3	\$48.50	\$1.30	\$49.80	\$48.50	\$-00	\$48.50
Class 4	\$80.81	\$2.15	\$82.96	\$80.81	\$-00	\$80.81
DENTAL 2000						
Class	TAKE CARE - DENTAL 2000			SELECT CARE - DENTAL 2000		
	Judiciary	Employee	Premium Rates (Bi-Weekly)	Judiciary	Employee	Premium Rates (Bi-Weekly)
Class 1	\$36.35	\$4.04	\$40.39	\$36.35	\$3.66	\$40.01
Class 2	\$79.90	\$8.88	\$88.78	\$79.90	\$8.04	\$87.94
Class 3	\$66.96	\$7.44	\$74.40	\$66.96	\$6.73	\$73.69
Class 4	\$111.37	\$12.37	\$123.74	\$111.37	\$11.19	\$122.56


Danielle T. Rosete
Administrator of the Courts

08/26/2026

Date



**BEFORE THE 2026 JUDICIAL COUNCIL OF GUAM
RESOLUTION NO. JC26-020**

**RELATIVE TO THE DECLARATION OF CONSTITUTION DAY
AND CONSTITUTION WEEK**

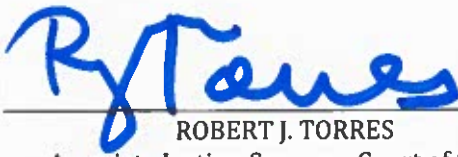
- WHEREAS,** September 17, 2026, marks the 239th anniversary of the drafting of the Constitution of the United States of America by the Constitutional Convention in 1787; and
- WHEREAS,** the U.S. Constitution established six basic governing principles for our society, including popular sovereignty, rule of law, federalism, judicial review, individual rights, and separation of powers with a system of checks and balances; and
- WHEREAS,** it is fitting and proper to officially recognize this magnificent document and the anniversary of its creation; and
- WHEREAS,** in the more than two centuries since its ratification, it has served as an unparalleled engine for human progress; and
- WHEREAS,** the Judiciary of Guam wishes to share in the celebration of this history, and intends to recognize Constitution Day on September 17, 2026, and to celebrate Constitution Week from September 21 to 25, 2026; and
- WHEREAS,** As America marks the 250th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence in 2026, this special Constitution Day celebration will explore the connection between the Declaration's founding ideals and the constitutional system that followed; and
- WHEREAS,** Constitution Week provides us with a unique opportunity to promote public understanding and appreciation of the importance of the United States Constitution by engaging in community activities, such as outreach educational programs at Guam's schools by our Judicial Officers, attorneys, and law clerks.

NOW THEREFORE, the Judicial Council does hereby proclaim Thursday, September 17, 2026, as Constitution Day and September 21 to 25, 2026 as Constitution Week. The Judicial Council on behalf of the Judiciary of Guam urges the citizens, schools, businesses, legal professionals, and media of Guam to use this occasion to reflect on and celebrate the Constitution of the United States.

DULY ADOPTED this 17th day of September 2026.


F. PHILIP CARBULLIDO
Associate Justice, Supreme Court of Guam
Member, Judicial Council of Guam


KATHERINE A. MARAMAN
Chief Justice of Guam
Chair, Judicial Council of Guam


ROBERT J. TORRES
Associate Justice, Supreme Court of Guam
Member, Judicial Council of Guam


ALBERTO C. LAMORENA, III
Presiding Judge, Superior Court of Guam
Member, Judicial Council of Guam


MARIA TERESA B. CENZON
Judge, Superior Court of Guam
Member, Judicial Council of Guam



**BEFORE THE 2026 JUDICIAL COUNCIL OF GUAM
RESOLUTION NO. JC26-021**

**RELATIVE TO RATIFYING RESOLUTION NUMBER JC26-020
DECLARING CONSTITUTION DAY AND CONSTITUTION WEEK**

WHEREAS, Judicial Council Resolution No. 26-020 Declaring Constitution Day and Constitution Week was signed by all members of the Judicial Council and presented on Constitution Day, September 17, 2026.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Resolution No. 26-020 Declaring Constitution Day and Constitution Week is hereby RATIFIED.

DULY ADOPTED this 24th day of September 2026 at a duly noticed meeting of the Judicial Council of Guam.


KATHERINE A. MARAMAN, Chair

Dated: Sept. 24, 2026

ATTEST:


Shelterihna T. Alokoo, Executive Secretary

Dated: September 24, 2026



BEFORE THE 2026 JUDICIAL COUNCIL OF GUAM

RESOLUTION NO. JC26-022

**RELATIVE TO CREATING THE POSITION OF ASSISTANT STAFF
ATTORNEY (SUPREME COURT)**

- WHEREAS,** the Supreme Court of Guam is responsible for the timely disposition of appeals, original proceedings, certified questions, and petitions for extraordinary relief, each of which requires rigorous legal research, analysis, and drafting; and
- WHEREAS,** the Supreme Court's research and writing function is staffed principally by law clerks serving limited-term appointments, and the resulting recurring turnover requires continuous recruitment, training, review, and supervision in order to maintain consistent quality of work product and timely disposition of matters; and
- WHEREAS,** the Staff Attorney (Supreme Court) presently is responsible for planning, reviewing, recruiting, and coordinating the work of law clerks and legal interns, in addition to the Staff Attorney's own research and writing, rules, subcommittee, and outreach responsibilities; and
- WHEREAS,** the Judiciary has no position between the Staff Attorney and the term law clerks and as a result, there is no experienced attorney positioned to manage overflow drafting during periods of high appellate volume, to provide continuity when the Supreme Court Staff Attorney is absent, or to retain institutional knowledge across clerkship cycles; and
- WHEREAS,** creating the position of Assistant Staff Attorney (Supreme Court) will provide an experienced attorney to serve on the Supreme Court's research and writing team, to assist the Staff Attorney in mentoring and developing law clerks, and to ensure continuity of operations during the absence of the Staff Attorney or the Clerk of Court; and
- WHEREAS,** the Administrator of the Courts has petitioned the Judicial Council, pursuant to 4 GCA § 6303, to create the position of Assistant Staff Attorney (Supreme Court) in the unclassified service as described in the attached Exhibit A; and
- WHEREAS,** Title 4 GCA § 6303(a) authorizes the Administrator of the Courts to create new positions in the Judicial Branch when necessary for the efficient performance of the duties and functions of the Judiciary, requires the position description to be submitted to the Judicial Council within thirty (30) calendar days after creation, and provides that the position shall be terminated unless approved by the Judicial Council within ninety (90) days after submission; and

WHEREAS, Title 4 GCA § 6303(a)(1) requires that the position description be posted on the Judiciary's website, and Title 4 GCA § 6303.1 requires public notice of the creation of the position; and

WHEREAS, Title 4 GCA § 6303(a)(3) provides that no newly created position shall be filled in the absence of appropriations to pay the salary of the position.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the position of Assistant Staff Attorney (Supreme Court) is hereby approved as a position at the Judiciary of Guam, in the unclassified service the duties of which are reflected in the job standard attached hereto as Exhibit A;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Assistant Staff Attorney (Supreme Court) shall report to the Staff Attorney (Supreme Court);

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the job standard for Assistant Staff Attorney shall be posted on the Judiciary's website in accordance with 4 GCA § 6303, and that public notice of the creation of the Assistant Staff Attorney position shall be issued in accordance with 4 GCA § 6303.1;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the position shall not be filled in the absence of appropriations to pay the salary of the position, as required by 4 GCA § 6303(a)(3);

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Administrator of the Courts, in collaboration with the Human Resources Administrator and Division, is authorized to take all necessary actions to implement this Resolution, including conducting any necessary recruitment, job evaluation, and compensation adjustments in accordance with applicable Judiciary Personnel Rules and Regulations;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

DULY ADOPTED this 24th day of September 2026 at a duly noticed meeting of the Judicial Council of Guam.


KATHERINE A. MARAMAN, Chairwoman

Dated: 09/24/2026

ATTEST:


Shelterihna T. Alokua, Executive Secretary

Dated: Sept 24, 2026



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HON. KATHERINE A. MARAMAN
CHIEF JUSTICE

HON. ALBERTO C. LAMORENA, III
PRESIDING JUDGE

DANIELLE T. ROSETE, ESQ.
ADMINISTRATOR OF THE COURTS

MEMORANDUM

To: Chief Justice Katherine A. Maraman
Members, Judicial Council of Guam

From: Danielle T. Rosete, Administrator of the Courts

Date: September 23, 2026

Subject: **Creation of Position of Assistant Staff Attorney (Supreme Court)**

Chief Justice and Members of the Judicial Council:

Pursuant to 4 GCA § 6303(a), I respectfully request the Judicial Council's approval to create a new position, **Assistant Staff Attorney**, within the Supreme Court of Guam.

The position is in the unclassified service and is not subject to Hay Guide Chart evaluation. This recommendation follows a review of the legal support functions of the Judiciary, of the duties presently assigned to the Supreme Court's Staff Attorney, and of comparable positions in other court jurisdictions. The recommendation is based on an objective assessment of the duties, responsibilities, and competencies required to support the Judiciary's adjudicative and administrative legal work.

The recommendation is as follows:

1. Assistant Staff Attorney (Supreme Court) — Creation of Position

The Supreme Court's research and writing function is staffed principally by law clerks serving limited-term appointments. The recurring turnover inherent in term clerkships requires continuous recruitment, orientation, training, substantive review, and supervision. That work is presently consolidated in the Staff Attorney (Supreme Court), who concurrently carries a full research and writing docket, edits and reviews draft opinions and orders, maintains and updates training materials, manages case flow tracking and reporting, participates in Judiciary subcommittee work on rules, and coordinates civics and law-related educational outreach.

The Judiciary of Guam is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

The Judiciary has no position between the Staff Attorney and the term law clerks. As a result, there is no experienced attorney positioned to manage overflow drafting during periods of high appellate volume, to provide continuity when the Supreme Court Staff Attorney is absent, or to retain institutional knowledge across clerkship cycles.

The Assistant Staff Attorney would serve on the Supreme Court's research and writing team, preparing bench memoranda and draft opinions and orders; would assist the Staff Attorney in mentoring law clerks and legal interns and in reviewing their written work; would support case flow management, tracking, and the maintenance of training materials; would participate in subcommittee work and educational outreach; and would serve in an acting capacity as Supreme Court Staff Attorney, Supreme Court Clerk of Court, Compiler of Laws, or Public Guardian in their absence, as appointed by the Chief Justice.

The classification requires a license to practice law on Guam, and calls for graduation from a law school in the United States, its territories or possessions accredited by the American Bar Association, plus four (4) years of experience as an attorney, with demonstrated ability to work collaboratively and provide mentorship. The position reports to the Staff Attorney (Supreme Court).

Accordingly, I am requesting the Judicial Council's approval to create the Assistant Staff Attorney position on the **Attorney Pay Plan**. This assignment is a result of the evaluation of the duties and responsibilities of the position and its placement between the Staff Attorney (Supreme Court) and the Court's term law clerk classifications. Pursuant to Judicial Council Resolution No. 05-007, this position is recommended for Unclassified status in accordance with Standard 1, covering positions of a confidential or fiduciary nature, given the incumbent's direct access to the deliberative work of the justices in pending matters. The job standard is attached as **Exhibit A**.

The position description for Assistant Staff Attorney is attached for posting on the Judiciary's website in accordance with 4 GCA § 6303, and public notice will be issued in accordance with 4 GCA § 6303.1. Consistent with 4 GCA § 6303(a)(3), the Assistant Staff Attorney position will not be filled in the absence of appropriations to pay the salary of the position.

Senseramente,


DANIELLE T. ROSETE
Administrator of the Courts

Attachments

EXHIBIT A

	JUDICIARY OF GUAM	HUMAN RESOURCES OFFICE JOB STANDARD
CLASSIFICATION TITLE: ASSISTANT STAFF ATTORNEY (Supreme Court)		ESTABLISHED DATE:
PAY PLAN: Attorney Pay Plan		POSITION STATUS: ☐ Classified ☒ Unclassified ☒ FT ☐ PT
FLSA CATEGORY: ☒ Exempt ☐ Non-Exempt		EEO CATEGORY: Professional
REPORTS TO: STAFF ATTORNEY, SUPREME COURT		APPROVED BY: DANIELLE T. ROSETE, Administrator of the Courts

NATURE OF WORK:

This position emphasizes professional legal work in performing a variety of complex legal functions by serving on the Supreme Court's research and writing team and assisting the Staff Attorney in providing mentorship and guidance to law clerks.

This position effectively advises and assists with legal issues before the Supreme Court and contributes to the development of law clerks.

The Assistant Staff Attorney is distinguished from other law clerks by their collaborative role and additional responsibilities, supporting the Staff Attorney and fostering the growth and effectiveness of law clerks.

ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS: *(This is not designed to cover or contain a comprehensive listing of activities, duties or responsibilities that are required of the incumbent for this position. Duties, responsibilities and activities may change at any time with or without cause.)*

Researches issues raised in appellate briefs, special writs, and motions using legal research tools, including computer databases, local statutes, legislation, and cases from Guam and other jurisdictions; prepares bench memoranda and draft opinions; assists justices with research and writing tasks as assigned.

Edits and reviews draft opinions and draft orders, ensuring arguments are valid, sources are cited correctly and in proper format, and conclusions are legally sound.

Assists the Staff Attorney in mentoring and guiding law clerks in the performance of legal research and drafting of bench memoranda, draft opinions, and draft orders; provides feedback to law clerks on written drafts and develops their research, writing, and analytical skills.

Supports the Staff Attorney in planning, reviewing, and coordinating the work of law clerks and legal interns; assists in the regular review and update of training materials; assists in case flow management and tracking.

Supports the Staff Attorney in planning and coordinating civics and law-related educational outreach.

Participates in judiciary subcommittee work, researching and drafting rules, attending meetings, and consulting with committee members.

Serves in an acting capacity as Supreme Court Staff Attorney, Supreme Court Clerk of Court, Compiler of Laws, or Public Guardian in their absence, as appointed by the Chief Justice.

Adheres to and complies with all promulgated policies, standards, procedures and codes of ethical conduct.

Performs other related duties as assigned.

MINIMUM KNOWLEDGE, ABILITIES & SKILLS:

Knowledge of court rules, policies, and procedures, including Guam Rules of Court and analogous rules from other jurisdictions.

Knowledge of legal research methods and techniques.

Knowledge of use of legal reference works, including case law and statutory law.

Ability to analyze complex legal problems and apply legal principles and practices; draft clear and concise memoranda and legal opinions.

Ability to maintain mental stamina under time constraints and professional standards.

Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with judicial officers, court staff, and others.

Ability to mentor, train, and guide law clerks.

Ability to perform administrative tasks, including maintaining statistics and tracking/reporting work.

Ability to communicate effectively both orally and in writing with judges, court personnel, court security, and patrons.

Skill in applying sound judgment, logic, and analytical reasoning when reviewing and analyzing legal issues.

PREFERRED EDUCATION, EXPERIENCE & TRAINING:

Graduation from a law school in the United States, its territories or possessions which is accredited by the American Bar Association, plus four (4) years of experience as an attorney, with demonstrated ability to work collaboratively and provide mentorship.

REQUIRED LICENSE:

License to practice law on Guam.



BEFORE THE 2026 JUDICIAL COUNCIL OF GUAM

RESOLUTION NO. JC26-023

**RELATIVE TO AMENDING THE JUDICIAL
COUNCIL OF GUAM PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS**

WHEREAS, the Judicial Council of Guam adopted the Judiciary Procurement Regulations pursuant to JC04-007 (Mar. 19, 2004), and has since amended the same by JC06-011 (Apr. 6, 2006), by Judicial Council approval in meetings of May 16 and 23, 2013, by JC17-018 (June 5, 2017), and by JC18-020 (July 19, 2018); and

WHEREAS, Section 1 of the Regulations states that their purpose is to provide uniform and standard procurement policies and procedures for the entire Judicial Branch of Guam, and Section 2 declares the policy of the Judiciary to conduct procurement activities in the manner that shall best serve the public interest; and

WHEREAS, the small purchase threshold established in Sections 6(A), 6(B), 6(C), 6(D), and 6(E) of the Regulations was last adjusted by JC17-018 (June 5, 2017), which increased that threshold from Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00) to Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00); and

WHEREAS, I Liheslaturan Guahan has since increased the corresponding small purchase threshold applicable to the Executive Branch to Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000.00) (Bill No. 1 (10-S)), and the Judicial Council finds it appropriate to align the Judiciary's threshold with the threshold now applicable elsewhere in the government of Guam; and

WHEREAS, the Regulations presently contain no provision authorizing the Judiciary to procure supplies or services under contracts competitively awarded by other public entities, and the Judicial Council finds that cooperative purchasing authority will permit the Judiciary to obtain the benefit of competition already conducted, to reduce administrative cost and delay, and to increase the purchasing power of the Judiciary; and

WHEREAS, nothing in these amendments is intended to diminish the requirements applicable to procurements funded in whole or in part by federal financial assistance;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Judicial Council of Guam hereby amends the Judiciary Procurement Regulations as follows:

Section 1: Section 3 of the Judiciary Procurement Regulations is hereby amended to read as follows:

SECTION 3. LOCAL PROCUREMENT PREFERENCE

Procurement of supplies and services shall be made from among businesses licensed to do business on Guam and that maintain an office or other facility on Guam. Procurement of supplies and services from off Guam may be made if no business for such supplies or services may be found on Guam or the procurement is for supplies or services to be acquired from or through a federal agency when costs are known to be lower than the prevailing market prices or if the total cost of F.O.B. job site, unloaded, from off Guam is no greater than 85% of the total cost F.O.B. job site, unloaded,

of the same supplies or services when procured from a business licensed to do business on Guam that maintains an office or other facility on Guam, or if the procurement is made pursuant to Section 6(H) (Cooperative Purchasing) and in accordance with the requirements of that Subsection.

Section 2: Section 6(A) of the Judiciary Procurement Regulations is hereby amended to read as follows:

(A) COMPETITIVE SEALED BIDS. Procurement by competitive sealed bids is optional for any purchase at the discretion of the Purchasing Officer, but it is mandatory where the total cost is Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000.00) or more, except as otherwise provided.

The remaining provisions of Section 6(A) are unchanged.

Section 3: Section 6(B) of the Judiciary Procurement Regulations is hereby amended to read as follows:

(B) COMPETITIVE SEALED PROPOSALS. Procurement by competitive sealed proposals is optional at the discretion of the Purchasing Officer, but it is mandatory where the total cost is Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000.00) or more and procurement by competitive sealed bids is not practicable, except as otherwise provided.

The remaining provisions of Section 6(B) are unchanged.

Section 4: The second undesignated paragraph of Section 6(C) of the Judiciary Procurement Regulations is hereby amended to read as follows:

Procurement of professional services by Request for Proposals ("RFP") is optional at the discretion of the Purchasing Officer, but it is mandatory where the total cost is Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000.00) or more, except as otherwise provided.

The remaining provisions of Section 6(C) are unchanged.

Section 5: Section 6(D) of the Judiciary Procurement Regulations is hereby amended to read as follows:

(D) SMALL PURCHASES. Procurement for small purchases is authorized when the cost is less than Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000.00), subject to the following.

- (1) Less Than Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00).* When the total cost of a requisition is less than Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00), procurement may be made by the Purchasing Officer through Blanket Purchase Agreements or, if the cost is less than Forty Dollars (\$40.00), through petty cash.
- (2) Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) or More, But Less Than Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00).* When the total cost of a requisition is Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) or more, but less than Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00), procurement may be made by solicitation of not less than three (3) informal written quotations on the open market of which a written record shall be kept, except that the Purchasing Officer may dispense with such quotations and negotiate directly with a vendor when, in the opinion of the Purchasing Officer, it is deemed more advantageous to the Judiciary.

- (3) *Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00) or More, But Less Than Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000.00).* When the total cost of a requisition is Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00) or more, but less than Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000.00), procurement shall be made by solicitation of not less than three (3) written quotations on the open market, of which a written record shall be kept. Procurement personnel shall prepare a written justification, which shall be made a part of the procurement file, setting forth the sources solicited, the quotations received, the due diligence undertaken in identifying and soliciting sources, and the basis for the selection of the vendor. The Purchasing Officer may dispense with such quotations and negotiate directly with a vendor when, in the opinion of the Purchasing Officer, it is deemed more advantageous to the Judiciary, provided that the written justification required by this Subsection shall in that event also set forth the basis for dispensing with quotations.
- (4) *Small Construction Purchases.* For procurement of construction in an amount of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) or more but less than Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000.00), the procedures set forth in Subsections (2) and (3) above shall apply according to the total cost of the requisition.

Section 6: The introductory paragraph of Section 6(E)(1) of the Judiciary Procurement Regulations is hereby amended to read as follows:

- (1) Where the total cost is Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000.00) or more, exception to the requirements of this Section 6 is authorized only where at least one (1) of the following conditions exist, and the Purchasing Officer certifies this exception in writing, which action shall not be delegated nor assigned:

Subsections 6(E)(1)(a) through (e) and Section 6(E)(2) are unchanged.

Section 7: Section 6 of the Judiciary Procurement Regulations is hereby amended by adding a new Subsection (H) to read as follows:

(H) COOPERATIVE PURCHASING.

- (1) *Authority.* The Judiciary may purchase supplies or services under a contract awarded by another public entity, without conducting its own solicitation, when the Purchasing Officer determines in writing that the conditions of this Subsection are met. Where the total cost of the order is Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000.00) or more, the determinations required by this Subsection shall not be delegated nor assigned by the Purchasing Officer.
- (2) *Eligible Contracts.* A contract is eligible under this Subsection if it was awarded by:
- (a) the United States, including any federal supply schedule;
 - (b) a state, territory, or political subdivision of the United States, or an agency or instrumentality thereof;
 - (c) a cooperative purchasing organization organized to serve public entities; or
 - (d) an agency or instrumentality of the government of Guam.

- (3) *Determination.* Before placing an order under this Subsection, the Purchasing Officer shall determine in writing that:
- (a) the contract was awarded through competitive sealed bidding, competitive sealed proposals, or a substantially equivalent competitive process;
 - (b) the contract is in force, and the supplies or services ordered are within its scope;
 - (c) the contract by its terms permits use by other public entities, or the contractor and the awarding entity have consented in writing to the extension of the contract to the Judiciary; and
 - (d) the price is fair and reasonable and use of the contract is advantageous to the Judiciary, stating the basis for that conclusion.
- (4) *Local Sourcing.* Procurement under this Subsection is authorized notwithstanding Section 3 only upon a written determination by the Purchasing Officer that no business licensed to do business on Guam and maintaining an office or other facility on Guam is willing and able to furnish the supplies or services, or that the total cost F.O.B. job site, unloaded, under the eligible contract is no greater than eighty-five percent (85%) of the total cost F.O.B. job site, unloaded, of the same supplies or services when procured from such a business. A documented survey of known local sources satisfies this Subsection; a solicitation is not required.
- (5) *Local Fulfillment.* Where an eligible contract permits performance through an authorized dealer or distributor licensed to do business on Guam and maintaining an office or other facility on Guam, the order shall be placed through that dealer or distributor.
- (6) *Term.* No order placed under this Subsection shall extend beyond the term of the contract under which it is placed, including any option period exercised by the awarding entity.
- (7) *Notice of Award; Procurement File.* Notice of each order placed under this Subsection in the amount of Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00) or more shall be posted on the Judiciary of Guam website within five (5) business days after the order is placed, and shall identify the contractor, the eligible contract, the supplies or services ordered, and the total cost. The written determinations required by this Subsection shall be made a part of the procurement file and shall be available for public inspection.
- (8) *Reciprocal Use.* The Purchasing Officer may include in any solicitation issued by the Judiciary, and in any resulting contract, a provision permitting other public entities to procure supplies or services under that contract upon the same terms.
- (9) *Limitations.* This Subsection does not apply to the remodeling, renovation, or new construction of buildings or facilities, or to any rental or lease involving real estate. A determination under this Subsection is a decision on the method of source selection subject to Section 10 (Protests).

Section 8: Conforming Amendment to Source Note. The SOURCE note to the Judiciary Procurement Regulations is hereby amended by adding the following at the end thereof:

Section 3 amended, Sections 6(A), (B), (C), (D) and (E)(1) amended, and Section 6(H), Cooperative Purchasing, added by JC26-023 (September 24, 2026) to increase the small purchase threshold from \$25,000 to \$250,000, to establish revised small purchase procedures, and to authorize cooperative purchasing.

Section 9: Severability. If any provision of this Resolution or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of this Resolution which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this Resolution are severable.

Section 10: Effective Date. This Resolution shall take effect upon adoption. The amendments made by this Resolution shall not apply to any solicitation issued before the effective date of this Resolution.

DULY ADOPTED this 24th day of September, 2026 at a duly noticed meeting of the Judicial Council of Guam.


KATHERINE A. MARAMAN, Chair

Dated: Sept. 24, 2026

ATTEST:


Shelterihna Alokoa, Executive Secretary

Dated: September 24, 2026



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ADMINISTRATOR OF THE COURTS

HON. ALBERTO C. LAMORENA, III
PRESIDING JUDGE

MEMORANDUM

To: Chief Justice Katherine A. Maraman
Members, Judicial Council of Guam

From: Danielle T. Rosete, Administrator of the Courts

Date: September 23, 2026

Subject: **Administrative Update of Staff Attorney (Administrative office of the Courts) to General Counsel**

Chief Justice and Members of the Judicial Council:

This memorandum serves as formal notice of the administrative update of the job title of Staff Attorney (Administrative Office of the Courts) to General Counsel, effective immediately.

AUTHORITY

Under Chapter 2, Section 2.000.C of the Judiciary's Personnel Rules and Regulations, the Administrator of the Courts may exercise discretionary authority and provide decision-making leadership in administrative personnel management matters. By contrast, under 7 GCA § 5102(d) the adoption of a pay plan and pay schedules for classified and unclassified employees of the judicial branch must be made by the Judicial Council. Additionally, under 4 GCA § 6303(a), the creation of a position must be approved by the Judicial Council.

Such provisions distinguish between specific structural decisions and routine administrative personnel actions. This action does not involve adoption or amendment of a pay plan, the creation of a new position, the abolition of a position, or reclassification. The change is limited to the title of the position and does not alter its duties, responsibilities, classification, or other substantive terms. It is merely to update and change the Staff Attorney (Administrative Office of the Courts) position title to General Counsel. Because no structural or compensation-related changes are implicated, this update remains administrative in nature.

NATURE AND SCOPE OF ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATE

The Staff Attorney position serving the Administrative Office of the Courts functions as the principal legal advisor to the Judiciary. The incumbent advises the Presiding Judge and the Administrator of the Courts on the policies, procedures, rules, and regulations of the Judiciary; drafts and revises procedural rules of civil and criminal procedure, rules of professional responsibility, and other court rules; drafts and presents legislative testimony and responses to

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requests for comment on bills affecting the Judiciary; reviews program material originating from the divisions for legal soundness; represents the court in litigation when so assigned; and supervises the work of law clerks. These are the duties of a general counsel. Moreover, “General Counsel” is a title used for the equivalent function in other court jurisdictions and is consistent with prevailing naming conventions.

Accordingly, this action constitutes a terminology update only and does not affect compensation, classification, authority, duties, or organizational structure and is made pursuant to the Administrator’s administrative authority and does not require a formal amendment by the Judicial Council.

Senseramente,



DANIELLE T. ROSETE
Administrator of the Courts



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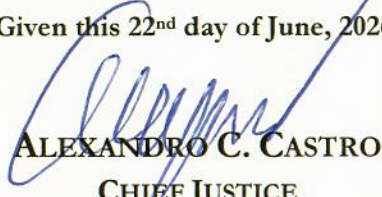
DANIELLE T. ROSETE
Administrator of the Courts
Judiciary of Guam

for exceptional support and invaluable assistance,
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following Super Typhoon Sinlaku.

Your professionalism and commitment
significantly contributed to the effective delivery of judicial
services and strengthened cooperation between our judiciaries.
Your exemplary service reflects the highest standards
of public duty and is deeply appreciated.

Given this 22nd day of June, 2026.


JOHN A. MANGLONA
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CHIEF JUSTICE


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ASSOCIATE JUSTICE



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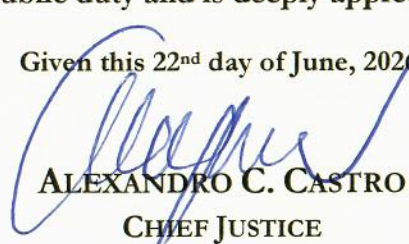
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CHIEF JUSTICE


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ASSOCIATE JUSTICE



THE SUPREME COURT
hereby recognizes and extends
Un Dangkulu Na Si Yu'us Ma'ase to

THE JUDICIARY OF GUAM

for its invaluable support and assistance rendered to
THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS JUDICIARY
in the recovery efforts
following Super Typhoon Sinlaku in April and May, 2026.
Your assistance enabled us to continue the effective delivery
of judicial services during this challenging time.

We are sincerely grateful for your support,
which has further strengthened cooperation between our judiciaries.

Given this 17th day of August, 2026.

JOHN A. MANGLONA
ASSOCIATE JUSTICE

ALEXANDRO C. CASTRO
CHIEF JUSTICE

ROBERTO C. NARAJA
ASSOCIATE JUSTICE



Certificate of Commendation

On behalf of the Judiciary of Guam, this Certificate of Commendation is presented to:

Jesse C. Franquez

in recognition of his dedicated service and leadership as President of I Familiar 'I Kotte (I.F.I.K.), for over seven years, and for his longstanding commitment to fostering camaraderie, enhancing employee morale, promoting goodwill, and supporting the general welfare of Judiciary of Guam employees. Through his service and leadership, Jesse has made meaningful contributions to the Judiciary family and exemplified a steadfast commitment to the well-being and professional and social development of his fellow employees.

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