

Curriculum Vitae

of

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Atty. Beda G. Fajardo has been a practicing lawyer for more than 40 yrs. in construction, maritime, admiralty, insurance, arbitration law, corporate, commercial, admiralty, corporate, civil law and immigration (domestic and international). He finished his Bachelor of Arts and Law degrees from the *University of the Philippines* and took *special studies* at the Harvard Law School in Cambridge, Massachusetts and at Tulane University in New Orleans. He is also a *life member* of the Integrated Bar of the Philippines, (IBP) the official mandatory bar organization of some 43,000 Filipino lawyers in the country and was a *member* of the Board of Governors for three terms (1986; 1987 – 1989; 1991-1993). As *Chairman* of the IBP Committee on Administration of Justice he was one of those instrumental in the implementation by the Supreme Court of the "Continuous Trial" scheme in court litigation in the district courts which required the parties to complete their evidence in 3 months and for the trial judge to decide the case in 3 months from completion of evidence by the parties. He was former *Chairman* of the Editorial board of the IBP Law Journal the official IBP law journal.

He is a member of several bar associations in the Philippines. He was *Past President* of the Maritime Law Association of the Philippine (MLAP) (1987-1988) and President of the Philippine Bar Association (PBA) (2013-2014). He was President of Philippine Institute of Construction Arbitrators and Mediators (PICAM) (2007-2008).

He is a member of the New York Bar.

He is foremost a maritime lawyer. He is a *proctor in admiralty* in the Maritime Law Association of the United States (the most prestigious and biggest in the world) and lone Filipino member. He is a member of the Inter-Pacific Bar, the most prestigious regional association and was *Chairman* of its maritime law committee for two terms (1991-1994) and received a plaque of

appreciation for dedicated and distinguished service. In January, 1989 he participated in the "Pacific Rim Maritime Law Conference" in Honolulu, Hawaii. In 1992 he was invited as a participant in the international symposium the "Admiralty in an International Setting" in London and the "International Symposium on Marine Claims" in Tokyo. In 1995 he was a Philippine delegate to the Comite International Maritime (CMI) international conference in Sydney. He *wrote* the summary of Philippine law on maritime liens and claims in *Prof. William Tetley's book "Maritime Liens and Claims" 2nd Edition 1998*. He has *contributed* law articles to the Tulane Maritime Law Journal ("Maritime Arbitration in the Philippines") and APLA Journal of the Asia Pacific Lawyers Association ("Philippine Maritime Code Project"). He was a *consultant* to the codification of maritime laws project of the Philippine Senate. He presently teaches maritime law at the San Beda Graduate School of Law.

Atty. Fajardo is a construction, commercial and maritime arbitrator. He is one of the few pioneering arbitrators in the Construction Industry Arbitration Commission (CIAC) the institutional arbitration center for construction disputes in the country and has arbitrated around 80 construction cases since 1989 as sole arbitrator, chairman and member of the arbitral panel. **He was past President of the Philippine Institute of Construction Arbitrators and Mediators (PICAM). He is also a member of the Board of Trustees and Vice-President of the Philippine Dispute Resolution Center Inc. the institutional arbitration center in the country for commercial disputes,** and in 1999 he was Chair of the PDRCI arbitration panel which arbitrated a multi-million peso claim filed by professional airline managers against the Philippine Air Lines for violation of their technical service agreement (Case No. 99-11-05, Fyfe et al. vs. PAL), sole arbitrator of two other commercial disputes (PDRCI Case No. 21-2003/SSP, LMG Chemicals Corp. vs. Seaoil Petroleum Corp. and PDRCI No. 20-2003/SSP Siemens Building Technologies Inc. vs. Romago Inc.) and member of the arbitral panel in PDRCI Case No. 31-2006 entitled "PLDT vs. Dept. of Transportation and Communication". He is presently the Vice-President of the Philippine Dispute Resolution Center Inc. In 2015 he was nominated as Chairman of the Arbitration Tribunal in Ad Hoc 001-201 entitled "FLO Water Resources Iloilo inc. vs. Metro Iloilo Water District". In 2020 he was nominated and appointed as Sole Arbitrator in PDRCI Case No. 06-2020 entitled "Johnson & Johnson (Philippines), Inc. vs. Appoloplus Distribution, Inc.". In 2021 Atty. Fajardo was nominated as Chair of the Arbitration Tribunal in PDRCI Case No. 2021-127 entitled "Manila Express Payment System vs. BTI Payments (Philippines) Inc.".

In 2002 he was a member of an international arbitration tribunal to arbitrate in London a maritime dispute between a Taiwanese seller of an oil tanker and a Filipino buyer which was however, settled before hearing started.

Atty. Fajardo is also a practicing mediator. In January 2004 he completed the Workshop on the Institution Finalization of Mediation in the Court of Appeals conducted by the Philippine Judicial Academy in coordination with the Court of Appeals, The Philippine Mediation Center, Philippine Mediation Foundation, Inc. and in partnership with the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) and Economic Governance and Technical Assistance (EGTA). In February, 2004 Atty. Fajardo completed the Faculty Development Program on Court Annexed Mediation and Judicial Settlement Conference (The Canada-Philippines JURIS ADR Model Courts Project) conducted by the Supreme Court, the Philippine Judicial Academy, Philippine Mediation Center in partnership with the National Judicial Institute of Canada. In March, 2004 Atty. Fajardo completed the Mediation Training Programme for Construction Mediator under the auspices of the Construction Industry Arbitration and the Philippine Institute of Construction Arbitrators, Inc. He is an accredited Trainers trainer for Court of Appeals Mediation of the Philippine Judicial Academy of the Supreme Court of the Philippines.

In his corporate work he had been a Securities and Exchange Commission appointed rehabilitator and later liquidator of some private corporations like Lead Capital, Inc.

He has been a speaker and lecturer in seminars and written articles on construction, arbitration, maritime, insurance and corporate practice. He is an MCLE lecturer of Frontier Neo-solutions and Systems Corporation.

References:

Chief Justice Diosdado M. Peralta
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Justice Marvic Mario Victor F. Leonen
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Justice Estela M. Perlas-Bernabe
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Supreme Court of the Philippines (Ret.)

Chief Justice Reynato Puno

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2. Profession: Lawyer
3. ADR Expertise/Specialization: Construction Law, Commercial Law and Maritime Law