

**NAME:**

SIMEON VENTURA MARCELO

**PERSONAL DETAILS:**

Date of Birth : 21 October 1953  
Place of Birth : Cabanatuan City, Nueva Ecija  
Occupation : Cruz Marcelo & Tenefrancia  
Founding Partner  
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**ACADEMIC CREDENTIALS:**

Fifth Place, 1979 Bar Examinations

**University of the Philippines**

- Bachelor of Laws, 1979
- Recipient, Crispin Llamado Scholarship Award
- Member, Pi Gamma Mu International Social Science
- Member, Order of the Purple Feather Honor Society
- Top 10 (Batch 1979)

**Ateneo de Manila University**

-Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy, 1974: Honor Graduate, Dean's List

**San Jose Seminary**

- First Honor, 1971
- Scholarship Award, 1971-1974

**Maria Assumpta Seminary**

-High School Valedictorian, 1970

**PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND:****Cruz Marcelo & Tenefrancia**

*Founding Partner*  
April 2013 – Present

**De La Salle University College of Law**

*Professor*  
2016-2017 SY

**Villaraza Cruz Marcelo & Angangco Law Offices**

*Name Partner*  
January 2008 – April 2013

**Holcim Philippines, Inc.**

*Independent Director*

2014 –2019

**Independent Advisory Board: The World Bank**

*Member*

October 2008 – June 2014

**ADB Administrative Tribunal: Asian Development Bank**

*Executive Secretary*

January 2007 – December 2010

**The Asia Foundation - Mongolia**

*Consultant* 2009

**Arellano University School of Law**

*Member, Board of Trustees*, April 2007 – March 2008

*Professor*, December 2006 – March 2008

**Office of the Ombudsman**

*Ombudsman*

17 October 2002 – 30 November 2005

**Office of the Solicitor General of the Philippines**

*Solicitor General*

15 February 2001 – 16 October 2002

**Carpio Villaraza & Cruz Law Offices**

*Senior Partner/Head-Litigation Department*

1990 to January 2001

**Carpio Villaraza & Cruz Law Offices**

*Partner, Litigation Department*

1986 to 1989

**Angara Abello Concepcion Regala & Cruz Law Offices (ACCRALAW)**

*Associate*, 1980 – 1982

INDUSTRY OR LEGAL EXPERTISE

Litigation

Corporate Restructuring and Rehabilitation

Alternative Dispute Resolution

International Civil Service Law

Construction, Engineering

Banking

Real Estate

Taxation

Intra-corporate Dispute

Insolvency

Public/Private Corruption, Corporate/Bank Fraud and Money Laundering

#### CASES HANDLED (as counsel and as neutral)

##### As Counsel:

*"DJ Builders Corporation vs. Hyundai Engineering Company, Ltd."*,  
CIAC Case No. 28-97

*"Filipinas (Prefab Building) Systems, Inc. vs. MRT Development Corporation"*,  
CIAC Case No. 19-2002

*"In the Matter of the Ad Hoc Arbitration between Secur Links Network  
Technologies, Inc.  
and the Commission on Higher Education"*, Ad Hoc Arbitration Under R.A. 9285

PCA Case No. 2017: In The Manner of Arbitration under the 1976 Rules of the  
United Nations Commission on International Trade between Manila Water Inc.,  
Claimant versus Republic of the Philippines, Respondent (Member, Legal Team of  
Manila Water, Inc.)

##### As Arbitrator:

*"Bangkok Metropolitan Administration (Thailand) vs. Steyr-Daimler-Puch  
Spezialfahrzeug Gmbh now known as GD European Land Systems-Steyr Gmbh  
(Austria)"*,  
ICC/16768/FM/MHM and 18930/MHM (Member, ICC Arbitral Tribunal)

*"In The Matter Of Ad Hoc Arbitration Proceedings Of Kabushiki Kaisha GS  
Yuasa/GS Yuasa International Ltd. vs. RAMCAR Inc. and Oriental Yuasa Battery  
Corporation"*,  
DRCI Case No. 2015-014 (Chairman, Arbitral Tribunal)

#### PUBLISHED ARTICLES

Author, Fourth Edition (2016), Philippine Chapter  
*The Asset Tracing and Recovery Review*  
The Law Reviews published by Law Business Research Ltd.

Author, Fourteenth Edition (2016)  
*Getting the Deal Through – Dispute Resolution – Philippines Chapter*  
Published by Law Business Research Ltd.

Author, Philippine Chapter (2015-2016)  
*Litigation and enforcement in the Philippines: Overview*  
Practical Law – A Thomson Reuters Legal Solution  
<http://global.practicallaw.com/9-621-3675>

Author, March 2015 Edition  
*Lawyer Monthly – International Legal Roundtable – Expert Insight into...alternative  
dispute resolution*  
Lawyer Monthly Magazine  
<http://www.lawyer-monthly.com/magazine/LM62-15/>

Author, 2014 Edition

*Virtual Roundtable - Litigation & Dispute Resolution 2014 – Philippine Chapter*  
Corporate Livewire

<http://www.corporatelivewire.com/round-tables.html?id=litigation-dispute-resolution-2014>

Author, 2014 Edition

*Acquisition International – Philippines: Immeasurable Strength*

Published by Law Business Research Ltd.

Author, 2013 Edition

*Expert Guide – Litigation & Dispute Resolution 2013*

Corporate Livewire

<http://www.corporatelivewire.com/round-tables.html?id=mergers-acquisitions-2013>

Author, 2008

*"The long road from Zurich to Manila: The recovery of the Marcos Swiss dollar deposits"*

Recovering Stolen Assets

Mark Pieth (Ed.) (President, Basel Institute of Governance)

Published by Peter Lang

Author, 2006

*"Denying safe havens, through judicial cooperation: The experience of the Philippines"*

Knowledge Commitment Action Against Corruption in Asia and the Pacific,  
published by the Asian Development Bank

Author, June 2004

*"Challenges to the Coercive Investigative and Administrative Powers of the Office of the Ombudsman"*

Philippine Law Journal, published by the College of Law, University of the Philippines

Author, 2004

*"Combating Corruption in the Philippines"*

Controlling Corruption in Asia and the Pacific, published by the Asian Development Bank

#### Awards and Citations

##### **Distinguished Alumni Award in Public Service**

2013 University of the Philippines Alumni Association (UPAA)  
Centennial Year (June 2013)

##### **Plaque of Recognition**

##### **Supreme Court of the Philippines**

National Conference for the Revision of the Rules of Civil Procedure (2013)

##### **Citation of Recognition and Appreciation**

Transparency and Accountability Network (TAN)  
TAN General Assembly (2004)

Chambers Asia Pacific 2020, 2021, 2022  
*Philippines- Band 1 Lawyer in Dispute Resolution*

Asia Law Leading Lawyers 2020, 2022  
*Ranked as Senior Statement for Dispute Resolution*

ACQ Global Awards 2016-2017  
*Philippines – Alternative Dispute Resolution Lawyer of the Year*

Asia Legal Business 2021  
*Philippines’ Client Choice Top Ten Lawyers*

Asian Legal Business  
*Philippines’ Top 100 lawyers 2018 and 2019*

Benchmark Litigation Asia-Pacific 2019/2018  
*Philippines – Dispute Resolution Star (Commercial Transactions, Tax) and  
Dispute Resolution Star of the Year (2018)*

Japan Times  
*Cited Mr. Marcelo as "one of the Philippines’ top litigators" (15 May 2018, p.7)*

Asia Business Law Journal, May-June 2018 issue  
*One of the Philippines’ Top Lawyers ( p.71)*

Corporate USA Today 2019  
*Philippines – Best Founding Partner and CEO of the Year*

Asia-Pacific Dispute Resolution Awards 2018  
*Philippines – Disputes Star of the Year*

Asia Business Law Journal 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021  
*Philippines – Top 100 Lawyers*

ACQ Law Awards 2018  
*Asia – Gamechanger of the Year*

Asialaw Leading Lawyers 2017  
*Leading Lawyer in Dispute Resolution & Litigation and Tax*

ACQ Global Awards 2017  
*Philippines – Alternative Dispute Resolution Lawyer of the Year*

ACQ Global Awards 2016  
*Philippines – Alternative Dispute Resolution Lawyer of the Year*