[ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 253, November 26, 1970]

CONSIDERING MR. ILDEFONSO P. BROCOY RESIGNED FROM OFFICE AS MUNICIPAL JUDGE OF PALOMPON, LEYTE

On August 31, 1967, Mr. Ildefonso P. Brocoy, municipal judge of Palompon, Leyte, filed an application for one (1) year vacation leave under the provisions of the Revised Administrative Code, as amended, from September 1, 1967, to August 31, 1968, for the purpose of accepting a fellowship in Graduate Legal Studies-Master in Comparative Jurisprudence at Howard University, Washington, D.C., U.S.A. The application was approved by the Executive Secretary and the Secretary of Justice upon recommendation of the District Judge.

On July 22, 1968, Judge Brocoy filed another application for extension of his leave of absence from September 1, 1968, to December 31, 1970, to be spent in the United States to enable him to finish a doctorate degree in Jurisprudence and/or a PH.D. in Government, alleging that he had finished his Master's Degree in Comparative Jurisprudence and the furtherance of his study would enhance his potentialities in the government service. Said application was disapproved on grounds of policy by the Department of Justice on July 31, 1968. Despite the denial of his application for an extended leave, he failed to report for duty on September 1, 1968, after the expiration of his one-year leave on August 31, 1968.

However, on May 14, 1969, the Department of Justice approved his application for indefinite study leave but not beyond December 31, 1969, with a warning that he would be considered automatically resigned from the service upon his failure to report for duty after December 31, 1969. This was reiterated by the Department in its letter dated October 13, 1969, which was sent directly to him at 15873 Hartwell, Detroit, Michigan, 48227 U.S.A.

Despite these warning, Judge Brocoy failed to report for duty after December 31, 1969. He is therefore guilty of abandonment of office and violation of Section 33 of Rule XVI of the Civil Service Law and Rules.

WHEREFORE, Mr. Ildefonso P. Brocoy is hereby considered resigned from office as municipal judge of Palompon, Leyte, effective as of January 1, 1970.

Done in the City of Manila, this 26th day of November, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and seventy.

(Sgd.) **FERDINAND E. MARCOS**President of the Philippines

By the President: