

**[ EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 611, August 07, 1980 ]**

**CREATING A PRESIDENTIAL COMMITTEE ON JUDICIAL  
REORGANIZATIONS**

WHEREAS, justice and its efficient dispensation is the primordial concern of Government ;

WHEREAS, to improve judicial services, it has become imperative to reorganize the Judiciary and thereby best serve the public interest.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FERDINAND E. MARCOS, President and Prime Minister of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby create a Presidential Committee which shall formulate a plan on the reorganization of the Judiciary, to be composed of Chief Justice Enrique M. Fernando as Chairman and Minister of Justice Ricardo C . Puno as Co-Chairman, with the following as members:

Justice Ramon C. Aquino  
Justice Ameurfina A. Melencio-Herrera  
Justice Felix Q. Antonio, and  
Deputy Minister of Justice Jesus N. Borromeo

The Chairman, the Co-Chairman and the members of the Committee shall serve without remuneration, and their positions shall be purely honorary in character.

The Commission shall, within thirty (30) days from the issuance hereof, submit to the President and Prime Minister a reorganization plan for the entire Judiciary which shall embrace all lower courts, including the Court of Appeals, the Courts of First Instance, the city and municipal courts, and all special courts, but excluding the Sandiganbayan.

The reorganization plan thus submitted shall be made the basis for appropriate legislation for the judicial reorganization herein mentioned.

In the performance of its functions, the Presidential Committee shall be assisted by the respective staffs of the Chairman and Co-Chairman.

Done in the City of Manila, this 7th day of August, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and eighty.

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

By the President:

(SGD.) **JUAN C. TUVERA**  
*Presidential Assistant*

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