



LEGAL EDUCATION BOARD

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LEB MEMORANDUM ORDER (LEBMO)

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Subject: ADDITIONAL TRANSITION PROVISIONS TO LEB MEMORANDUM ORDER No. 7, SERIES OF 2016, ENTITLED POLICIES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF A NATIONWIDE UNIFORM LAW SCHOOL ADMISSION TEST FOR APPLICANTS TO THE BASIC LAW COURSES IN ALL LAW SCHOOLS IN THE COUNTRY.

Considering the unfamiliarity by many interested individuals with the implementation of the Philippine Law Admission Test (PhiLSAT) given that it is in the stage of implementation and the inclement weather that affected some parts of the country during the administration of the PhiLSAT on April 16, 2017, the Legal Education Board (the "Board") hereby promulgates additional transition provisions to LEB Memorandum Order No. 7, Series of 2016, entitled "Policies and Regulations for the Administration of a Nationwide Uniform Law School Admission Test for Applicants to the Basic Law Courses in All Law Schools in the Country", as follows:

1. Conditional Admission and Enrolment – Anyone intending to begin studies of the basic law course in the First Semester of the Academic Year (AY) 2017-2018 who failed to take the PhiLSAT administered on April 16, 2017 for justifiable or meritorious reason(s) may be permitted by the Board to be conditionally admitted by a law school and enrolled in the basic law course in the First Semester of AY 2017-2018, subject to the provisions of this Memorandum Order.
2. Conditions - The conditional admission and enrolment under a permit issued pursuant to this Memorandum Order shall be subject to the following express conditions:
 - a. The student shall take the next scheduled PhiLSAT;
 - b. If the student fails to take the next scheduled PhiLSAT for any reason, his/her conditional admission in the law school shall be automatically revoked and barred from enrolling in the following semester;
 - c. If the student takes the next scheduled PhiLSAT but scores below the passing or cut-off score, his/her conditional admission shall also be revoked and barred from enrolling in the following semester, unless the law school expressly admits him/her in the exercise of the discretion given under Section/Paragraph 14 of LEBMO No. 7, Series of 2016, subject to the requirements of the same provision;
 - d. The student whose conditional admission and enrolment is subsequently revoked shall not be entitled to the reversal of the school fees assessed and/or refund of the school fees paid; and
 - e. The student shall execute under oath, and file with his/her application for a Permit for Conditional Admission/Enrolment, an UNDERTAKING expressly agreeing to the foregoing conditions.

3. Permit Application - All those seeking conditional admission and enrollment pursuant to this Memorandum Order shall file a notarized application with the Chairman of the Board on or before the July 31, 2017, expressly stating therein the following and attaching therewith as annexes all supporting documents:

- a. The full name of the applicant and his personal circumstances, his mailing address, electronic address and mobile number;
- b. The law school where he/she intends to enroll in;
- c. Whether or not he/she was able to register for the April 16, 2017 PhiLSAT;
- d. Whether or not he/she was able pay the testing fee, if he/she was able to register online;
- e. The reason why he/she was not able to register, or pay the testing fee, or take the test with sufficient particulars to determine the merit of the reason(s) given; and
- f. His/Her express conformity to be bound by the conditions specified in the preceding section/paragraph.

4. Application Fee - Simultaneous with the filing of the application for a Permit for Conditional Admission/Enrollment, the applicant shall pay to the Board an application fee of Three Hundred Pesos (P300).

5. Testing Fee - Those taking the next scheduled PhiLSAT pursuant to this Memorandum Order shall be exempted from paying the testing fee to the testing provider if the said examinees have previously paid the testing fee for the April 16, 2017 PhiLSAT but were prevented from taking the test due to the inclement weather. For the purpose of availing this exemption, the applicant shall state in his/her application for a Permit for Conditional/Enrolment the details of his/her registration and testing fee payment for the April 16, 2017 PhiLSAT, and the circumstances that resulted to his/her failure to take the test on April 16, 2017. The applicant shall attach as annexes to the application such documentary evidence as may support his/her claim.

6. Permit for Conditional Admission/Enrolment - The Chairman shall evaluate all applications and shall, accordingly, issue a Permit for Conditional Admission/Enrollment to those determined to be meritorious. Otherwise, he shall deny the application.

7. Appeal - In case of denial by the Chairman, the applicant may file a written appeal to the Board En Banc within three (3) days from receipt of the notice of denial.

8. Forms - The Chairman may prescribe such forms as may be needed in this Memorandum Order.

9. Violation - The conditional admission and enrolment in the First Semester of AY 2017-2018 of any student who failed to take the PhiLSAT last April 16, 2017 by any law school without a permit issued pursuant to this Memorandum Order shall constitute a violation of LEBMO No 7, Series of 2016, and subject to the sanction prescribed in Section/Paragraph 15 of the same Memorandum Order.

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a large, sweeping loop followed by a horizontal line and a short vertical stroke at the end.

10. Effectivity - This Memorandum Order shall become effective immediately upon its publication in a newspaper of general circulation and registration in the National Administrative Register in the University of the Philippines Law Center.

Issued this April 20, 2017 in the City of Manila.



EMERSON B. AQUENDE
Chairman