



Republika ng Pilipinas  
**KAGAWARAN NG KATARUNGAN**  
*Department of Justice*  
*Manila*

## RESOLUTION

**RECOMMENDING THE RENEWAL OF CONTRACT OF FORMER DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR FINANCE AND MANAGEMENT TERESITA C. LUCAS, AND FORMER COMMISSION ON AUDIT INTERNAL AUDIT OFFICE DIRECTOR FLERIDA A. JIMENEZ, AS HIGHLY TECHNICAL CONSULTANTS FOR THE WITNESS PROTECTION PROGRAM SECURITY AND BENEFIT PROGRAM OF THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE**

**WHEREAS**, there is a need for the Witness Protection Security and Benefit Program of the Department of Justice (WPSBP-DOJ) for consultants to provide advice and assistance on matters that are highly specialized, technical and primarily confidential where trust and confidence are the primary considerations;

**WHEREAS**, the services of former DOJ Assistant Secretary for Finance and Management Teresita C. Lucas (Asec Lucas) and former Commission on Audit Internal Audit Office Director Flerida A. Jimenez (Dir. Jimenez) were previously engaged by the WPSBP-DOJ as highly technical consultants for the period July 1, 2018 to December 31, 2018, pursuant to the recommendation of its Program Director Senior Assistant State Prosecutor Ma. Nerissa A. Molina-Carpio;

**WHEREAS**, aside from rendering policy determining, confidential and highly technical services to the WPSBP-DOJ, the highly technical consultants shall also perform the following respective functions that cannot be provided by the present members of its staff:

**FLERIDA A. JIMENEZ**

- Grant and utilization of fund authorized for the implementation of the WPSBP;
- Streamline disbursement operations and institute control mechanism for check and balance;
- Documentation of Confidential and Intelligence Funds, cash advance and liquidation thereof;
- Extend technical assistance on problems that arise on the use of WPSBP Confidential Funds; and
- Other services and functions as may be directed by the Secretary of Justice and the WPSBP Program.

**TERESITA C. LUCAS**

- Planning and programming of WPSBP yearly budget proposals;
- Preparation of data and documents for budget deliberation by DBM and both Houses and Congress;
- Provide guidelines for effective budget execution;
- Formulate the most economical, efficient and effective fund utilization;
- Recommend modification of funds when the need for it arises; and

- Other services and functions as may be directed by the Secretary of Justice and the WPSBP Program Director.

**WHEREAS**, the procurement/engagement of the said highly technical consultants is included in the Department's Annual Procurement Program with an estimated budget of Two Million Eight Hundred Fifty Thousand Pesos (P2,850,000.00);

**NOW THEREFORE**, for and in consideration of the foregoing premises, the Department of Justice – Bids and Awards Committee resolves, as it hereby resolve, to **RECOMMEND** the renewal of contracts of former DOJ Assistant Secretary for Finance and Management Teresita C. Lucas (Asec Lucas) and former Commission on Audit Internal Audit Office Director Florida A. Jimenez (Dir. Jimenez), as highly technical consultants of the WPSBP-DOJ for the period January 1, 2019 to June 30, 2019.

**RESOLVED** this 21<sup>st</sup> day of February 2019 at the Department of Justice, Manila.

  
ASec MARGARET V. CASTILLO PADILLA  
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As per DO No. 640

Dated 28 September 2018