

# NCMB HAILS ATTY. GERARD MARIANO, THE NEWEST AND YOUNGEST LAWYER IN THE FAMILY

Good News

National Conciliation and Mediation Board

May 10, 2017

The National Conciliation and Mediation Board congratulates Atty. Gerard Peter S. Mariano for passing the 2016 Bar Exams, Executive Director Shirley M. Pascual pronounced during the thanksgiving party held on May 5, 2017 at the NCMB Central Office, Quezon City.

During the celebration, Atty. Mariano's colleagues and bosses took turns in greeting him and commending his triumph.

The NCMB family, most especially the RB IV-A, is very proud of Atty. Gerard's achievement of being one of the 3,747 new lawyers. As his family, we are with him in celebrating this euphoric event of his life, RB IV-A Dir. Feliciano R. Orihuela lauded.

Atty. Mariano on the other hand, expressed his gratitude and appreciation to his NCMB family and briefly shared his experience and challenges.

"Passing the bar is not an easy task, it requires a lot of effort and sleepless nights. There are times that I must study and read double-time, especially on the lectures that I have missed and the topics and subjects that I have failed in the past", said Atty. Mariano.

"All questions in the exam were not read nor discussed in school and even in the review classes. Answering each question

depends on your best effort, and your faith in God will really help you to successfully survive such draining test”, he added.

Prior to the said celebration, and immediately after the release of Bar results, Atty. Gerard used the social media to thank all the people around him, especially his prayer warriors who played a huge part and helped him in achieving his dream.

Gep, as he is fondly called by his colleagues, took the Bachelor of Laws while serving the government as Administrative Assistant III in Regional Branch IX. While taking his review, he then applied for a technical position in Region IV-A, and was later appointed as Labor and Employment Officer III.

Atty. Gep took the Bar Exams in November 2016, and after his first try he already got his title.

As he pursue his dreams, his perseverance and determination manifested. Though he faced challenges as a public servant and as a student, it did not stopped nor hindered him from realizing and attaining his aspirations.

Atty. Gerard and the rest of the three thousand plus new lawyers will take their oath on the 22nd of May 2017 at the Mall of Asia Arena, Pasay City.// Luzviminda R. Dela Cruz & Joan Esther O. Mabilangan