



Third Northern Mariana Islands Constitutional Convention Pre-Convention Committee

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April 10, 1995

Via Facsimile - 202-835-8136
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Dear Mr. Leibowitz:

Thank you for your letter of March 21, 1995, expressing interest in providing legal consultant to the Third Constitutional Convention.

Enclosed is a copy of the Notification of Proposed Action with Respect to Retaining Legal Consultants. Because the deadline was April 3, 1995, it is recommended that you submit a formal proposal no later than Thursday, April 13th (Saipan Time).

The Subcommittee on Legal is responsible for reviewing all legal services proposals and will be in touch with you if it need additional information. Delegate Carlos S. Camacho is the Chair of the Subcommittee.

The Pre-Convention Committee Office is located at Joeten Dandan Commercial Center, Dandan, telephone No. 235-0843 and fax no. 235-0842.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Herman Guerrero".

HERMAN T. GUERRERO
Chair

cc: Chair, Subcommittee on Legal
Members, Pre-Convention Committee

March 29, 1995

**SAIPAN DELEGATION
PRE-CONVENTION COMMITTEE
THIRD CNMI CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION**

**NOTIFICATION OF PROPOSED ACTION
WITH RESPECT TO RETAINING LEGAL CONSULTANTS**

Pursuant to the authority vested in the Pre-Convention Committee as described in Public Law 9-18, the Pre-Convention Committee seeks to retain legal consultants for the Third Constitutional Convention. The review and selection process will occur after consultation and input from the delegations from Saipan, Tinian, and Rota through their representatives to the Pre-Convention Committee.

The Saipan Delegation anticipates that the Pre-Convention Committee will take this action as soon as possible after April 6, 1995 in order to permit effective planning for and organization of the Convention.

For purposes of efficient consideration of the various proposals, formal and informal, that the Saipan Delegation has received to date, any interested persons are requested to submit information in a uniform format, as outlined below. This information may be the same as that already submitted to the Committee or may be different but it should be organized under the six topics for ready comparison.

1. Name of the lawyer or lawyers responsible for directing the legal services to be provided to the Pre-Convention Committee and the Convention.
2. Statement as to how the requirements of the Convention would be staffed during:
 - a) the Pre-Convention period from April 6, 1995 possibly through June 5, 1995, which is the last date for convening the Convention; and
 - b) the Convention period from June 5, 1995 possibly through August 19, 1995, which is the last date authorized for Convention proceedings.
3. The total dollar amount to be paid in compensation for lawyer services for:
 - a) the Pre-Convention period
 - b) the Convention period
4. Description of possible requirements for experts to augment the legal team from time to time during the Convention and estimate of cost for these options.
5. Description of possible requirements for non-lawyer staff (researchers, paralegals, secretaries, clerks, messengers) to support the legal team during the Convention

and estimate of cost if this staff support is not available through government or volunteer sources arranged by the Pre-Convention Committee.

6. Description of equipment required to support the legal team during the Convention and estimate of cost if this equipment is not available through government or volunteer sources arranged by the Pre-Convention Committee.

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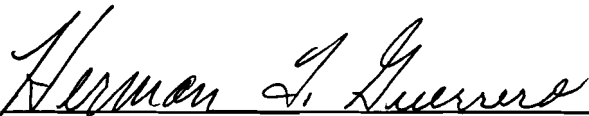
Please send this information by fax no later than Monday, April 3, 1995 to the Pre-Convention Committee, attention of:

**Chairman, Pre-Convention Committee
Third CNMI Constitutional Convention
Second Floor, Joeten Dandan Commercial Center
Saipan, MP 96950**

Fax No. (670) 664-4759

**Contact Person: Herman T. Guerrero
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Thank you.


Herman T. Guerrero, Member
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PRESENT POSITION

Attorney in private practice specializing in territorial constitutional issues and immigration law

PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE**Constitutional Law**

Analyzed local governmental powers in areas of financing, submerged lands, judicial review, executive and legislative action. Taught government budgetary and public finance review issues. Active on public legal questions re: equal employment opportunity, desegregation and immigration. Expert on U.S. and British Commonwealth territorial issues. Legal Adviser to Guam and Virgin Islands Constitutional Conventions. Conducted training sessions for D.C. Constitutional Convention delegates.

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Special Counsel, Select Commission on Immigration and Refugee Policy, a special U.S. Government commission conducting an overall review of U.S. immigration and refugee policy.

Vice President, Overseas Private Investment Corp., a U.S. Government corporation which encourages private U.S. foreign investment via loans, guarantees, and political risk insurance.

President, Institute of International Law and Economic Development, a private, nonprofit concerned with changing international legal and economic relationships in developing countries.

Director, Office of Technical Assistance, Economic Development Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, a grant program to foster economic development. Directed 50-man Washington office with additional personnel in regional and local offices.

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Dear Herman:

Just a note to congratulate you on being elected to the Third Constitutional Convention. It is an exciting opportunity.

As you know, I was counsel to the Guam Constitutional Convention in 1987 and the Virgin Islands Constitutional Convention in 1988. I also provided technical assistance to the District of Columbia Constitutional Convention in 1990.

I think the key to a successful convention, and a successful role for outside counsel, is that the counsel not make this his convention or his constitution. Rather, it is the constitution and product of the delegates. What counsel can do is help the delegates so that they are comfortable with the choices they make, draft language that carries out their desires, and examines for the convention as a whole and the delegates as required particular provisions which may have been used elsewhere in the U.S. and which may now be coming up in the Northern Mariana Islands.

If I can be of any assistance, please let me know. I am enclosing a resume for your records in case that is relevant.

With best personal regards,

Sincerely,


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Enclosure - resume

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