

Republic of the Philippines  
**REGIONAL TRIAL COURT**  
Fourth Judicial Region  
Branch 38  
Boac, Marinduque  
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**REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES,**  
**represented by the Regional Director**  
**of the Department of Environment**  
**and Natural Resources (DENR) –**  
**MIMAROPA Region,**  
*Plaintiff,*

*-versus-*

Civil Case No. 18-11  
For: Cancellation of Title  
and Reversion

**MARCOPPER MINING CORPORATION**  
**and THE REGISTER OF DEEDS OF**  
**MARINDUQUE,**  
*Defendants.*

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**JUDICIAL AFFIDAVIT**  
(of Engr. Ernesto Villarico)

OFFER OF TESTIMONY:

The testimony of witness Engr. **Ernesto Villarico** is being offered to prove that:

1. He is an employee of National Mapping and Resource Information Authority (NAMRIA);
2. To identify the Land Classification Map No. 789 dated 22 November 1928;
3. There was no re-classification of the subject lot to Alienable and Disposable land of the public domain

made by the Department of Natural Resources (DENR) nor through Presidential Proclamations and/or by Congressional Acts; and

4. Other relevant matters.

**Engr. Ernesto Villarico** will also identify relevant documents and affidavit he executed and his signature appearing thereon.

(The direct examination of Engr. Ernesto Villarico shall be conducted by State Solicitor Philander L. Turqueza, with office address at the Office of the Solicitor General, 134 Amorsolo St., Legaspi Village, Makati City.)

(Engr. Ernesto Villarico shall answer the questions asked of him, fully conscious that he does so under oath, and that he may face criminal liability for false testimony or perjury.)

I, **Engr. Ernesto Villarico**, of legal age, currently employed as Engineer III at Land Classification Division of the National Mapping and Resource Information Authority with office address at Lawton Ave., Fort Bonifacio, Taguig City after having been duly sworn in accordance with law, do hereby depose and state:

1. **Q: Do you know why you are here today?**

A: Yes sir, to give my testimony regarding the lot covered by TCT No. T-1339 located at Brgy. San Antonio, Sta. Cruz, Marinduque.

2. **Q: What makes you qualified to give testimony regarding this matter?**

A: I act on inquiries from the public regarding Land Classification Maps, I also prepare correspondence regarding land classification maps and mapping services, I supervise mapping activities and

different maps and digital copies of land classification maps, and in which capacity I gained knowledge about the Land Classification Map No. 789 dated 22 November 1928

3. **Q: Mr. Witness, I am showing to you Land Classification Map No. 789 dated 22 November 1928, is this the same document you are referring to?**

A: Yes sir.

(Your Honor, the Land Classification Map No. 789 dated 22 November 1928 was previously marked as **Exhibit "A"** for the plaintiff.)

4. **Q: Are there any amendment to the said Land Classification Map No. 789 considering it was produced in 1928?**

A: None sir.

5. **Q: Mr. Witness, are you aware of any documents under the custody of your office that the subject land covered by TCT No. T-1339 has been reclassified to an alienable and disposable land of the public domain by governmental acts?**

A: None sir.

This Judicial Affidavit is being made to attest to the truthfulness of the facts contained therein, and to serve as evidence in favor of the plaintiff.

*Affiant further sayeth naught.*

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto affixed my signature this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2021 at Makati City.

  
**ERNESTO VILLARICO**  
*Affiant*

**JURAT**

**SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN** to before me on this \_\_\_\_<sup>th</sup>  
day of June 2021 at Makati City, affiant who is personally  
known to me also showed his NAMRIA ID, bearing his  
signature and photograph.

  
**PHILANDER L. TURQUEZA**  
*State Solicitor*

**SWORN ATTESTATION**

I, **PHILANDER L. TURQUEZA**, State Solicitor I of the  
Office of the Solicitor General, after being sworn in accordance  
with law, hereby state that:

- 1. I have faithfully recorded the questions I asked and  
the corresponding answers that the witness gave;  
and
- 2. No person then present or assisting me coached the  
witness regarding the latter's answers.

  
**PHILANDER L. TURQUEZA**  
*State Solicitor*

**SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN** to before me on this  
\_\_\_\_<sup>th</sup> day of June 2021 at Makati City, affiant who is

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personally known to me, exhibiting to me his OSG I.D. No. 2012-05003.

  
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**EXPLANATION**

The foregoing **Judicial Affidavit** is being filed and served by registered mail due to distance and lack of messenger.


  
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*State Solicitor I*

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY NOTIFY:	
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BIRTHDATE: Oct 22, 1961	BLOODTYPE: A+
TIN: 900-130-127	GSIS: CM-815280
ADDRESS: Sta. Barbara San Antonio Nueva Ecija	
OTHER IDENTIFICATION DATA:	
RELEVANT MEDICAL CONCERN: Diabetic	


  
SIGNATURE OF HOLDER

Republic of the Philippines  
Department of Environment and Natural Resources  
**NATIONAL MAPPING AND RESOURCE  
INFORMATION AUTHORITY**  
Lawton Ave., Fort San Pedro, Cebu City

ID No. 00-0034



**VILLARICO, ERNESTO**  
IN CHARGE

  
**DR. PETER H. TANGCO, CESO I**  
Administrator, NAMRIA