



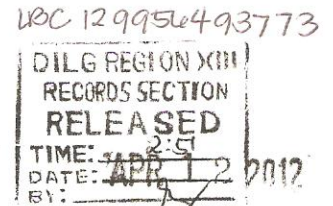
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Hon. ROGELIO D. LUZANA
Sangguniang Bayan Member
Veruela, Agusan del Sur

DILG-13 OPINION NO. 12




Dear Hon. Luzana:

This refers to your query seeking opinion whether or not your assumption as vice mayor by operation of law applying the rule on succession shall be counted as your first term as vice mayor.

In response thereto, please be informed that we have answered a similar query in our letter to Mr. Lito M. Dagamac, Legal Assistant II, Office of the Sangguniang Bayan, Veruela, Agusan del Sur dated February 17, 2012, that your assumption of office as vice-mayor on July 4, 2005 was an involuntary severance from office as sangguniang bayan member, resulting in an interruption in the service of your 2004-2007 term. Thus, you are still qualified to run as sangguniang bayan member in 2013 National and Local Elections.

For your ready reference, attached is the photocopy of the said opinion.

Very truly yours,


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