



Mindoro Lodge No. 157 F. & A.M.

2384 Lopez Jaena St., San Jose Occidental Mindoro

Masonic District No. RIVE

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UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND LODGE
OF FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS OF THE PHILIPPINES

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

(Revised 2007)

ARTICLE I

Of Name and Officers

Section 1. This Lodge shall be known by the name of MINDORO LODGE NO. 157 of Free and Accepted Masons; and its officers shall consist of a Master, a Senior Warden, a Junior Warden, a Treasurer, a Secretary, an Auditor, a Chaplain, a Marshal, a Senior Deacon, a Junior Deacon, two Stewards, a Tyler, and such other officers as the Lodge may deem proper to appoint.

ARTICLE II

Of Elections and Appointments

Section 1. The Master, the Senior and Junior Wardens, the Treasurer, the Secretary and the Auditor shall be elected by ballot on the stated meeting of the Lodge in December, in conformity with Sec. 1, Art. X, Part II, of the Constitution of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the Philippines. The other officers shall be appointed by the Master except the Junior Deacon, who may be appointed by the Senior Warden. Any Master Mason in good standing, whether or not a member of the Lodge, may be appointed Tyler.

Section 2. No member shall solicit for himself or for any other member of any Lodge any elective or appointive office in a Lodge, nor shall any electioneering, canvassing or soliciting of votes or support, for any member be allowed. Nominations of candidates for office shall not be made. A VIOLATION OF THIS SECTION shall be deemed unmasonic conduct and shall subject the offender to such discipline as the Lodge may determine. This section shall be read in open Lodge by the Master at the stated meeting of October, November, and December of each year.

ARTICLE III

Of Meetings of the Lodge

Section 1. The stated meetings of this lodge shall be held on the first Saturday of each month at 3:00 o'clock in the afternoon.

Section 2. Special meetings may be called from time to time, as the Lodge, or the presiding officer thereof, may direct.

Section 3. The Grand Master is empowered to approve the petition of any Lodge for a vacation period providing that no stated meetings shall be held during said period which period shall in no case exceed three (3) consecutive stated meetings.

ARTICLE IV

Of Initiation and Membership

Section 1. All petitions for the degrees, dual membership or affiliation must be signed by the petitioner and recommended by two members of the Lodge. A duplicate of every such petition shall be forwarded immediately to the Grand Secretary for publication. Every such petition shall be referred to a Committee of three, whose duty it shall be to report thereon at the next stated meeting, (unless further time be granted), when the applicant shall be balloted upon and received or rejected.

Section 2. No candidate shall be initiated, passed and raised to the sublime degree, unless he has first been given an orientation lecture with the use of the following pamphlets:

- a. The Candidate Pamphlet
- b. Entered Apprentice Pamphlet
- c. Fellow Craft Pamphlet
- d. Master Mason Pamphlet
- e. Lodge System of Masonic Education

Section 3. If an applicant, elected to receive the degrees in this Lodge, does not come forward to be initiated within three (3) months thereafter, the fee shall be forfeited, unless the Lodge shall otherwise direct.

Section 4. Every person raised to the degree of Master Mason in this Lodge, (except when such degree shall have been conferred at the request of another Lodge, or elected to be a member thereof), shall sign its By-Laws.

ARTICLE V Of the Treasurer

Section 1. The Treasurer shall receive all moneys from the Secretary; shall keep an accurate and just account thereof, and shall pay the same out only upon an order duly signed by the Master and countersigned by the Secretary. He shall, at the stated meetings in June and December of each year, submit a report in full of the monetary transaction of the Lodge. The Lodge may also, at any time when considered necessary, cause him to present an account of his receipts and disbursements, and of the amount of funds on hand.

Section 2. He shall, if required by the Lodge, execute a good and sufficient bond to the Master, for the faithful performance of his duties.

ARTICLE VI Of the Secretary

Section 1. The Secretary shall keep a faithful record of all proceedings proper to be written; shall transmit a copy of the same thereof to the Grand Lodge as required by our Laws; shall keep a separate account for each member of the Lodge; shall report at the stated meetings in May and November of each year, the amounts due by each; shall receive all moneys due the Lodge, and pay the same promptly to the Treasurer, and take his receipt therefore; and shall perform all such other duties as may properly pertain to his office.

Section 2. He may receive for his services such compensation as may annually be fixed by the Lodge, and when so required by the Lodge, he shall file a bond in sufficient

amount in favour of the Worshipful Master as guaranty of the faithful performances of his duties; provided that until all current obligations of the Lodge are paid, he shall not collect nor be paid more than One Thousand Pesos (P1,000.00) Pesos a month.

ARTICLE VII Of the Tyler

Section 1. The Tyler, in addition to the necessary duties of his office, shall serve all notices and summonses, and perform such other services as may be required of him by the Lodge.

Section 2. He shall receive such compensation for his services as the Lodge may direct.

ARTICLE VIII Of Fees

Section 1. The table of fees for this Lodge shall be as follows: For the three degrees, the sum of Nine Thousand Pesos (P9,000.00) pesos; for the degrees of Fellow Craft and Master Mason, when the first degree shall have been received in another Lodge, the sum of Six Thousand Three Hundred Pesos (P6,300.00) Pesos; for the degree of Master Mason, when the first and second degrees shall have been received in another lodge, the sum of Three Thousand Six Hundred Pesos (P3,600.00) Pesos; which fees may be paid by installments before receiving initiation, the sum of Four Thousand Pesos (P4,000.00), before passing, the sum of Three Thousand Pesos (P 3,000.00) and before raising, the sum of Two Thousand Pesos (P 2,000.00); for dual membership, the sum of One Thousand Five Hundred Pesos (P 1,500.00) and for affiliation, the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred Pesos (P2,500.00).

Section 2. The fee for each of the foregoing shall accompany the several petitions or applications, or else they shall not be presented by the Secretary of the Lodge.

Section 3. Registration fees of the incumbent Master and Wardens attending the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge shall be paid by this Lodge.

ARTICLE IX Of Dues

Section 1. The dues of each member of this Lodge shall be Two Thousand Five Hundred Pesos (P 2,500.00) Pesos per annum, payable quarterly in advance.

Section 2. No member, who shall be in arrears in the payment for dues at the time of the annual election, shall be permitted to vote, or shall be eligible to any office.

Section 3. Should any member, suspended for non-payment of dues, neglect for the period of two (2) years to pay said dues or have the same remitted by his Lodge, said member may be restored to good standing only as provided in Article VII, section 10 of the Ordinances.

Section 4. Any member in good standing may withdraw from membership by paying his dues and notifying the Lodge to that effect at a stated meeting; but no recommendatory certificate shall be issued to him unless ordered by the Lodge.

Section 5. Any member who wishes to pay in full an advance annual dues for certain number of years may do so, provided that in case Lodge dues has been approved to increase, the increase in amount would then be drawn from the advance payments made, thus, the resulting deficit for the affected years will be considered as an arrears and therefore additional payment will be demanded.

ARTICLE X Of Committees

Section 1. The Master and Wardens shall be a Charity Committee, and shall have power to draw upon the Treasurer for any sum, not exceeding One Thousand Pesos (P1,000.00) Pesos at any one time, for the relief of a distressed worthy brother, his wife, widow or orphan.

Section 2. The Master, at the stated meeting next succeeding his installation, shall appoint such committees as are necessary to assist him in the management of the Lodge.

Section 3. All reports of committees shall be made in writing.

ARTICLE XI Of Revealing the Transactions of the Lodge

Section 1. When a candidate for the degrees, dual membership or affiliation is rejected, or a brother reprimanded, suspended or expelled, no member or visitor shall reveal, either directly or indirectly, to such person, or to any other, any transaction which may have taken place on the subject; nor shall any proceedings of the Lodge, not proper to be made public, be disclosed outside thereof, under the penalty of reprimand, suspension or expulsion, as the lodge may determine.

ARTICLE XII Of the order of Business

Section 1. The regular order of business at every stated meeting of this Lodge shall be as follows:

1. Reading of the Minutes
2. Reports of Committees
3. Masonic Education
4. Balloting, Reading of Grand Lodge Edict/Circulars
5. Reception of Petitions
6. Miscellaneous and Unfinished Business
7. Conferring of Degrees

ARTICLE XIII Of Amendments

Section 1. These By-Laws, so far as they relate to the times of meeting, and the amounts of fees, dues and disbursements by the Charity Committee, may be amended at any stated meeting by the votes of two thirds (2/3) of the members present: Provided, the written notice of such amendment shall have been given at the stated meeting next preceding; but such amendment shall have no affect until approved by the Grand Lodge or Grand Master, and until such approval shall have been transmitted to the Grand Secretary. The Secretary of the Lodge shall note upon the minutes of the Lodge the notice of

proposed amendment when made, and when transmitting an amendment for approval shall forward a certificate, under seal, showing that the Law has been complied with and that the amendment has received the requisite vote. (Sec. 1, Art. XIII, Part III, of the Constitution of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the Philippines, Revised 1994, Updated 2005)

APPROVED:



ERIC J. ASUNCION
Worshipful Master

ATTEST:



REY ARNOLD M. PASTORES
Secretary

	MEMBERS NAME	DATE RAISED	SIGNATURE
1.	<u>Florencio Bumatay</u>	<u>June 11, 1960</u>	<u></u>
2.	<u>Maximo T. Gordovez</u>	<u>May 13, 1961</u>	<u></u>
3.	<u>Aniceto P. Elveña</u>	<u>September 9, 1961</u>	<u></u>
4.	<u>Virgilio C. Cruz</u>	<u>June 7, 1965</u>	<u></u>
5.	<u>Apolinario Madayag</u>	<u>July 23, 1966</u>	<u></u>
6.	<u>Anastacio C. Santos, Jr.</u>	<u>October 22, 1966</u>	<u></u>
7.	<u>Herminio Alcañites</u>	<u>October 29, 1966</u>	<u></u>
8.	<u>Eduardo S. Miller</u>	<u>February 12, 1968</u>	<u></u>
9.	<u>Jose E. Goco, Jr.</u>	<u>October 12, 1968</u>	<u></u>
10.	<u>Isagani F. Delos Trinos</u>	<u>December 20, 1968</u>	<u></u>
11.	<u>Candido M. Zareno</u>	<u>May 22, 1971</u>	<u></u>
12.	<u>Abelardo Douglas D. Lee</u>	<u>March 23, 1972</u>	<u></u>
13.	<u>Jaime S. Tan</u>	<u>January 7, 1975</u>	<u></u>
14.	<u>Washington T. Sy</u>	<u>January 26, 1977</u>	<u></u>
15.	<u>Rodolfo F. Jaravata</u>	<u>August 27, 1977</u>	<u></u>



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| 16. <u>Albert B. Balayan</u> | <u>September 6, 1977</u> |
| 17. <u>Abraham A. Ordonio</u> | <u>July 1, 1978</u> |
| 18. <u>Ramon Francis D. Lee</u> | <u>August 5, 1978</u> |
| 19. <u>Carlos G. Carlos</u> | <u>August 16, 1980</u> |
| 20. <u>Dante A. Boongaling</u> | <u>November 8, 1980</u> |
| 21. <u>Aurelio R. Dy</u> | <u>December 4, 1981</u> |
| 22. <u>Antonio Q. Guinto, Jr.</u> | <u>January 23, 1982</u> |
| 23. <u>Wendell S. Dy</u> | <u>February 5, 1982</u> |
| 24. <u>Eleuterio C. Tomas III</u> | <u>July 20, 1982</u> |
| 25. <u>Joel S. Boongaling</u> | <u>December 3, 1983</u> |
| 26. <u>Federico V. Bueno</u> | <u>August 4, 1984</u> |
| 27. <u>Meynardo G. Bondad</u> | <u>September 9, 1985</u> |
| 28. <u>Jose F. Bilgera</u> | <u>October 29, 1985</u> |
| 29. <u>Ernesto P. Ayes</u> | <u>November 29, 1985</u> |
| 30. <u>George Edward P. Nable</u> | <u>January 17, 1987</u> |
| 31. <u>Nolasco E. Talucod</u> | <u>May 16, 1987</u> |
| 32. <u>Vicente C. Guerrero</u> | <u>January 13, 1990</u> |
| 33. <u>Rolando V. Constantino</u> | <u>February 16, 1991</u> |
| 34. <u>Leodegario B. Ramos</u> | <u>August 10, 1991</u> |
| 35. <u>Antonio D. Diwa</u> | <u>January 8, 1993</u> |
| 36. <u>Redante D. Diwa</u> | <u>January 9, 1993</u> |
| 37. <u>Gregorio A. Pacunla</u> | <u>March 19, 1993</u> |

Handwritten signatures and initials:
- Under 17: *Ordonio*
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38. <u>Ramon R. Espada III</u>	<u>August 20, 1994</u>
39. <u>Ramon R. Espada, Jr.</u>	<u>October 28, 1995</u>
40. <u>Rey Arnold M. Pastores</u>	<u>July 27, 1996</u>
41. <u>Emmanuel E. Bayaoa</u>	<u>June 20, 1998</u>
42. <u>Ferdinand B. Mercene</u>	<u>October 31, 1998</u>
43. <u>Eric J. Asuncion</u>	<u>January 30, 1999</u>
44. <u>Chito Delos Santos</u>	<u>November 20, 1999</u>
45. <u>Cecilio R. Ison, Jr.</u>	<u>May 3, 2003</u>
46. <u>Renato C. Mercado</u>	<u>May 17, 2003</u>
47. <u>Domingo S. Tamesis</u>	<u>August 9, 2003</u>
48. <u>Manuel J. Tenorio</u>	<u>January 10, 2004</u>
49. <u>Richard D. Lapira</u>	<u>March 13, 2004</u>
50. <u>Joseph A. Amparo</u>	<u>April 7, 2004</u>
51. <u>Marlon Oloan</u>	<u>January 14, 2005</u>
52. <u>Michael D. Manere</u>	<u>January 15, 2005</u>
53. <u>Ruben G. Guinto</u>	<u>February 11, 2005</u>
54. <u>Cromwell Y. Lorico</u>	<u>April 19, 2005</u>
55. <u>Romeo H. Robles, Jr.</u>	<u>June 17, 2005</u>
56. <u>Libner B. Vidal</u>	<u>November 19, 2005</u>
57. <u>Jay B. Bool</u>	<u>January 28, 2006</u>
58. <u>Joel V. Acorda</u>	<u>September 30, 2006</u>
59. <u>Murphy B. Utara, Jr.</u>	<u>October 14, 2006</u>



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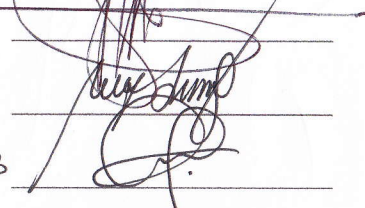

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60.	<u>Aldrin G. Tividad</u>	<u>January 13, 2007</u>	
61.	<u>Dennis F. Guinjo</u>	<u>January 16, 2008</u>	
62.	<u>ORBED M. ALVARO</u>	<u>January 18, 2008</u>	
63.	<u>ZEMVER S. ROLDAN</u>	<u>MARCH 27, 2009</u>	
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