

ORDER

Order No. 2012- 33

PHILIPPINE CHARITY SWEEPSTAKES OFFICE (PCSO) ("Opposer") filed on 27 January 2012 an opposition to Trademark Application Serial No. 4-2011-010825. The subject trademark application was published in the IPOPHL Official Gazette on 27 December 2011.

Under Republic Act No. 8293, also known as the Intellectual Property Code of the Philippines ("IP Code"), and the implementing regulations and rules on Inter Partes Proceedings, the Opposer has a period of one month after the publication of the application within which to file a notice of opposition or to request for the extension of the period to file the opposition.

Since Trademark Application No. 4-2011-010825 was published on 27 December 2011, the deadline to file the opposition or to request for an extension of the period to file verified opposition was on 26 January 2012. The notice of opposition, therefore, was filed out of time. Further, the filing fee for opposition as required under the rules was not paid.

WHEREFORE, premises considered, this case is **DISMISSED**.

Let the filewrapper of Trademark Application Serial No. 4-2011-010825 be returned together with a copy of this Order, to the Bureau of Trademarks (BOT) for information and appropriate action.

SO ORDERED.

Taguig City, 03 February 2012.

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