

IMPOSING THE PENALTY OF DISMISSAL FROM THE SERVICE OF P/SSUPT MICHAEL RAY B. AQUINO OF THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE FOR ABSENCE WITHOUT OFFICIAL LEAVE (AWOL).

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 82, September 10, 2003

Read online (full-text search, related cases, audio case brief): <https://batas.org/library/3e97686505fb/>

Before this Office is the administrative case against Police Senior Superintendent Michael Ray B. Aquino of the Administrative Holding Office, Headquarters Support Service, Philippine National Police (PNP), for alleged Absence Without Official Leave (AWOL) for more than thirty (30) days effective August 1, 2001 up to the present.

On 10 July 2001, this Office issued a presidential clearance for the PNP to conduct administrative investigation against the subject PNP officer for the aforesaid offense.

In his letter-report dated 12 April 2002, PNP Chief Director General Leandro R. Mendoza found P/SSupt Aquino guilty of the offense charged and recommended his dismissal from the police service. A copy of the letter-report is attached hereto as Annex "A" and made an integral part hereof.

The Presidential Adviser for Police. Affairs, in his Memorandum of 10 May 2002, concurred with the above recommendation of the PIMP Chief with prejudice to future re-entry to the police service.

Section 42 of Republic Act (RA) No. 6975, as amended by Section 53 of RA 8551, provides the following:

"SEC. 42. Summary Dismissal Powers of the National Police Commission, PNP Chief, and the PNP Regional Directors. - The National Police Commission, the Chief of the PNP and the Chief of the PIMP regional directors, after due notice and summary hearings, may immediately remove or dismiss any respondent PNP member in any of the following case.

x x x x x x x x

Any member or officer of the PNP who shall go on absence without Official leave (AWOL) for a continuous period of thirty (30) days or more shall be dismissed immediately from the service. His activities and whereabouts during the period shall be investigated and if found to have committed a crime, he shall be prosecuted accordingly." (italics ours)

There is no doubt that subject PNP officer has not been seen or heard shortly after former President Joseph Estrada left his post in January 2001. To date, he has not reported to his new assignment at the Administrative Holding Office, Headquarters Support Service nor appeared during investigation of the instant case. Accordingly, his dismissal from the police service is in order.

WHEREFORE, as recommended by the PNP Chief and NAPOLCOM, Police Senior Superintendent Michael Ray B. Aquino is hereby DISMISSED from the police service with prejudice to future re-entry into the police

SO ORDERED.

Manila, Philippines, 10 SEP. 2003

By authority of the President:

(Sgd.) ALBERTO G. ROMULO
Executive Secretary

ABOUT BATAS.ORG

Study smarter at BATAS.org

The Philippine bar review and law-school companion built around how your brain actually remembers.

The complete Philippine law library - free for everyone.

More than 100,000 Supreme Court decisions, Republic Acts, and executive issuances - full-text searchable, browsable by category and year, and always free. No paywall, no login. This PDF came from it.

Audio case-brief lectures.

Any decision becomes a podcast-style lecture - facts, issues, ruling, and doctrine - with read-along highlighting and a hands-free presentation mode. Study while commuting, working out, or resting your eyes.

Bar review built on the science of memory.

Complete, sequenced courses for all eight bar subjects, narrated like podcasts and reinforced with retrieval practice and spaced review - the study techniques with the strongest evidence behind them.

The full law-school curriculum.

One subscription unlocks the entire J.D. curriculum - every subject, every lesson, with your progress tracked down to the paragraph so you can pick up exactly where you left off, on any device.

Mock exams that tell you where you stand.

Timed multiple-choice exams graded instantly, with per-subject score breakdowns and focus suggestions that point you at your weakest topics first.

A study planner that keeps you on pace.

Set your schedule and BATAS tells you every day whether you are on track for bar day - and exactly which lesson to take next.

Start free at <https://batas.org>

The law library is free forever - and your first lesson is one click away.

The text of this document is an official public record and remains in the public domain. Formatting, presentation, and compilation © 2026 batas.org.

Downloaded free from the batas.org Law Library. Share it freely - the library is free for every law student, bar reviewee, and practitioner.