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CARBULLIDO ELECTED CHIEF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF GUAM

Associate Justice becomes the first to lead judicial branch for a fourth time

Hagåtña, Guam – The Judiciary of Guam today announced that the Supreme Court of Guam has elected Associate Justice F. Philip Carbullido to serve as Chief Justice. The election comes following the end of the three-year term of Katherine A. Maraman as head of the Judicial Branch of the Government of Guam. Maraman will continue to serve as an Associate Justice of Guam’s highest court.

“I am truly grateful for the opportunity to serve as Chief Justice over the past three years,” said outgoing Chief Justice Katherine A. Maraman. “Our Branch has many dedicated and resourceful judicial officers, managers, and staff who have worked diligently to administer justice in Guam -- serving alongside them in my role has certainly been one of the great privileges of my judicial career.”

As a result of the election, Carbullido becomes the first Justice to serve a fourth term as Chief Justice. The Ordot-Chalan Pago native served as Chief Justice of Guam from 2003 to 2008 and from 2011 to 2014.

“Our courts have reached a pivotal moment in our Branch’s history,” said Chief Justice-elect F. Philip Carbullido. “In this new decade, there will many changes to the Guam Judicial Center and ambitious plans to support the growing justice needs of our community.”

Carbullido completed his undergraduate studies at the University of Oregon in 1975 and earned his Juris Doctorate in 1978 from the University of California, Davis. Before his appointment to the bench in 2002, Carbullido was an attorney in private practice. Carbullido is a member of the Pacific Judicial Council and serves as a Justice Pro Tempore of the Supreme Court of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

“I know that together we can continue to build a justice system that will not only dispense fair, sensible, and efficient justice, but will help address the formidable problems faced by so many of the people of our great island,” said Chief Justice-elect Carbullido.

Justice Carbullido will take over as Chief Justice at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, January 21, 2020.



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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF GUAM

RE:)	Supreme Court Case No. PRM20-001
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ELECTION OF F. PHILIP)	PROMULGATION ORDER
CARBULLIDO TO THE POSITION OF)	NO. 20-001-01
CHIEF JUSTICE)	
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Pursuant to 7 GCA § 3103(i) and effective January 17, 2017, Katherine A. Maraman was elected to the position of Chief Justice in this court’s Promulgation Order No. 17-001. The term of Chief Justice Maraman ends on January 21, 2020, pursuant to 7 GCA § 3103(i).

In accordance with 7 GCA § 3103(i), Associate Justice F. Philip Carbullido has been elected to the position of Chief Justice. The court hereby orders that F. Philip Carbullido is appointed to the position of Chief Justice. The term of office shall be effective at 10:00 o’clock A.M. on January 21, 2020, and shall continue until 10:00 o’clock A.M. on the third Tuesday of January, 2023 (three years hence).

SO ORDERED this 7th day of January, 2020.

F. PHILIP CARBULLIDO
Associate Justice

ROBERT J. TORRES
Associate Justice

KATHERINE A. MARAMAN
Chief Justice