

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES SENATE ELECTORAL TRIBUNAL

COA-NCR Bldg., Batasan Road, Quezon City

RIZALITO Y. DAVID, Petitioner,

versus -

SET CASE No. 001-15

MARY GRACE POE LLAMANZARES, Respondent.

RESOLUTION NO. 15-05

The issues in the petition for *quo warranto* having been joined, the Executive Committee of the Tribunal resolves to call the parties and their counsel to a preliminary conference.

ACCORDINGLY, the parties and their respective counsel are required to appear before the Tribunal at the preliminary conference to be held on Friday, 11 September 2015, at the Supreme Court *En Banc* Conference Room, 2nd Floor, Supreme Court Building I, Padre Faura, Manila at 10:00 o'clock in the morning.

At the conference, the parties shall consider:

- 1. The simplification of issues;
- The possibility of obtaining stipulation or admission of facts and of documents;
- The limitation of the number of witnesses and the nature of their testimonies; and
- Such other matters as may aid in the prompt disposition of the petition.

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The-failure of the petitioner or his counsel to appear at the preliminary conference shall be cause for dismissal, motu proprio, of the petition. If either the respondent or her counsel fails to appear at the preliminary conference, the petitioner may be allowed to present evidence ex parte and the Tribunal shall render judgment based on the evidence presented.

The parties are required to file with the Tribunal not later than Wednesday, 09 September 2015 in fifteen (15) legible copies and serve on the adverse party, both through personal service, a preliminary conference brief, which shall contain:

- 1. A summary of admitted facts and documents as well as the proposed stipulation of facts and documents;
- 2. The issue to be tried or resolved;
- 3. The number and names of witnesses, and the nature and substance of their respective testimonies;
- 4. A manifestation of their intention to avail themselves of discovery procedures; and
- The documents to be presented, stating their purpose.

The failure of the parties to file the brief or filing a brief which does not comply with the required contents shall have the same effect as failure to appear at the preliminary conference.

SO ORDERED.

02 September 2015.

ANTONIO T. CARPIO

Senior Associate Justice

Chairperson

Associate Justice

Member

Associate Justice

Member