

OFFICE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT FOR PUBLIC AFFAIRS

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Name of	UP Law Office of Legal Aid
Extension/Public	
Service	
(The name of the	
service being	
offered)	
Objective (Description of the service being provided; History of service provision)	The UP Law Office of Legal Aid (OLA) was established to provide free legal services to poor and disadvantaged clients. Legal assistance provided includes representation in judicial, quasi-judicial (administrative) bodies, in criminal, civil and administrative cases, contract drafting, assistance in negotiation involving security of their homes and persons, mediation, and arbitration to put an end to litigation. OLA also provides legal opinion on various legal issues. Initially, OLA began as an experiment in Trial Techniques and later on became a student elerkship program. This elerkship program was not
	became a student clerkship program. This clerkship program was not required but merely an invitation to senior law students to experience "law practice." Later on, the experiment became formal and was integrated as a mandatory and structure course in the curriculum. The OLA has also been institutionalized by the Supreme Court through Rule 138-A of the Rules of Court.
Duration/Date	1974 to present
Target	Indigent litigants and disadvantaged groups
Beneficiaries	
Cost of Participation	Indigent clients of UP OLA are not obliged to pay for the legal services rendered by the office. The UP OLA is designed to be a laboratory for students to deal with cases of indigent clients. For this function, OLA runs on resources such as equipment (e.g. computers, printers, administrative supplies), human resource (e.g. supervising lawyers, staff, messengers) and other costs (e.g. transportation). The expenses incurred are covered through a funding supported by the UP Law Complex.
Office in Charge	UP Law Office of Legal Aid through President Danilo L. Concepcion, Former Dean, UP College of Law, Prof. Concepcion Lim-Jardeleza, Associate Dean, UP College of Law, and Prof. Rowena E.V. Daroy- Morales, Director, UP OLA
Office Profile	The UP OLA Clinical Legal Education Program is a full-blown office
Degree granting or	with ten supervising lawyers and teams of graduating law students. The
non-degree	law student practice it espouses has been institutionalized in the Rules of
granting	Court (Rule 138-A) and it provides a venue where law students are given
Purpose of creation	the opportunity to apply what they have learned in the classroom to actual
Location in the	cases. Graduating senior students are required to intern and staff OLA for
hierarchy	two semesters and are credited with eight units. At the end of every
(Background of the	semester, cases handled by the Office are transferred to incoming



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office providing the service i.e. Number of personnel and Key personnel providing the service)	graduating law students, handled by ten teams of seven to eight student interns. It is also composed of a group of administrative staff.
Awards/recognition received by the office (The awards given by or received by the office offering the	UP Gawad Pangulo Award for Public Service 2017 OLA also acknowledges that every case and settled in its favor is considered recognition from the court and from its indigent clients
service, if any) Official website and Social media accounts (The link to the official website of the service)	N/A
External links for documentation (The external links featuring the service [for the electronic copy, e.g. featuresin newspapers etc.])	N/A
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Other Remarks	