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MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR

TO : ALL HEADS OF DEPARTMENT, BUREAUS AND AGENCIES OF THE NATIONAL AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS, INCLUDING GOVERNMENT-OWNED AND CONTROLLED CORPORATIONS AND STATE

UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES

SUBJECT: Masteral Degree Requirement for Appointment to Division Chief or Equivalent Rank Positions

Pursuant to CSC Resolution No. 95-6057 dated October 6, 1995, the Commission adopts the following policies on the masteral degree requirement for appointment to Division Chief Positions in the government:

- A. The educational requirement for appointment to positions which meet all of the following criteria shall be a masteral degree:
 - 1. Career positions;
 - 2. Salary Grade 24; and
 - The highest positions in the division/department or in the hierarchy as reflected in the Index of Occupational Services (IOS) carrying a Salary Grade of 24;

Example:

| Economist I | SG - 11 |
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| Economist II | SG - 15 |
| Economist III | SG - 18 |
| Economist IV | SG - 22 |
| Economist V | SG - 24 |

Economist V with salary grade 24 being the highest position in the hierarchy shall require masteral degree. B. In highly specialized occupational group, the highest positions in a hierarchy with Salary Grade higher than 24, but not classified as Career Executive Service (CES) positions such as Medical Specialist VII, Attorney VI, Dentist VII and Veterinarian VII, a special degree rather than a masteral degree shall be required.

In this connection, the degree of Doctor of Medicine, Bachelor of Laws, Doctor of Dental Medicine/Dental Surgery, and Doctor of Veterinary Medicine shall be considered the appropriate educational attainment for appointment to said position.

- C. Appointees to positions which meet any of the following criteria shall not be required to have a masteral degree:
 - Non-career positions such as: casual, contractual, confidential or coterminous;
 - Positions with Salary Grade allocation lower than 24;
 - Staff positions with SG 24 or above, such as Executive Assistant VI, Conciliator and others.
 - Other positions under the Career Executive Service (CES) with salary grade 25 and above.

This Memorandum Circular takes effect immediately.

Chairman

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