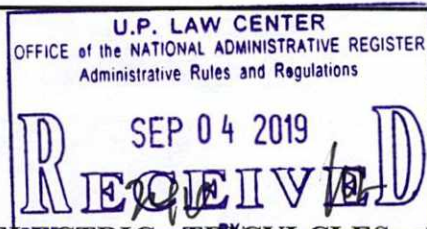




Republic of the Philippines  
Department of Transportation  
**LAND TRANSPORTATION FRANCHISING & REGULATORY BOARD**  
East Avenue, Quezon City

**MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR**  
**NUMBER 2019- 044**



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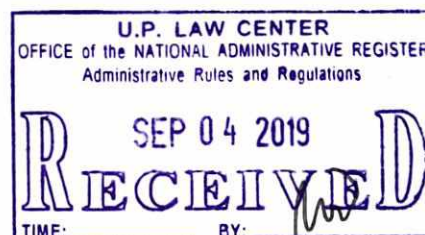
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