

# RONALDO A. GERON

Ronaldo A. Geron was appointed by President Benigno S. Aquino III as the Commissioner of Bureau of Immigration on 6 January 2016.

Commissioner Geron took up Law at the University of the Philippines (UP) College of Law in 1987 and passed the bar examination given that same year.

## **GOVERNMENT CAREER HISTORY**

### **COMMISSIONER, *Bureau of Immigration***

6 January 2016 to present

### **DEPUTY EXECUTIVE SECRETARY FOR FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION (DESFA), *Office of the President of the Philippines***

10 February 2014 to 5 January 2016

- Directly reports to the Executive Secretary and is primarily responsible for the administration of budgetary authorization requests from other Departments of the national government
- Oversees the President's Special Purpose Funds that includes the National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Fund, Contingency Fund and President's Social Fund
- Supervises four Assistant Secretaries who oversee day-to-day operations of the various offices comprising the Office of the President (OP) Proper, namely: Finance Office, Human Resources and Management Office, Assets Management Office, Procurement Services, Management Information Services, Engineering Office, Malacañang Records Office, Presidential Motor Pool, Presidential Action Center and the Presidential Museum and Library
- Provides budgetary and administrative support to the other executive offices under the OP, which includes the office of the: Presidential Assistants and Adviser for Political Affairs, Military Affairs, Environmental Protection, Food Security and Agricultural Modernization, Rehabilitation and Reconstruction, the Presidential Airlift Wing and the APEC 2015 National Organizing Council.

### **UNDERSECRETARY and HEAD OF DISCIPLINE OFFICE,**

*Office of the President of the Philippines*

23 June 2011 to 9 February 2014

- Formed the *Discipline Office* which replaced the Presidential Anti-Graft Commission
- Established the: (a) *Integrity Development Unit* which handled governance and integrity programs and international anti-corruption commitments; and the (b) *Administrative Discipline Unit* which handled administrative investigations of Presidential appointees, Provincial Governors, Mayors of Metro Manila and Mayors of Highly Urbanized Cities
- Represented the OP in the Inter-Agency Anti-Graft and Corruption Council and the United Nations Convention Against Corruption Philippine Coordinating Council
- Was credited with initiating the Integrity Management Program (IMP), the government's flagship anti-corruption program. The IMP is a joint undertaking of the OP and the Office of the Ombudsman which aims to systematize and implement integrity building across the entire bureaucracy.

**ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE SECRETARY and OFFICER-IN-CHARGE of the OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY EXECUTIVE SECRETARY FOR LEGAL AFFAIRS (ODESLA),**  
*Office of the President of the Philippines*  
30 June 2010 to June 2011

- Handled appeals from government Departments, agencies and Government Owned and Controlled Corporations (GOCCs)
- Rendered opinions on matters brought to the Office's attention by the President or the Executive Secretary
- Crafted Presidential issuances
- Tasked to reduce the backlog in the disposition of cases appealed to the OP
- Assigned to lay the groundwork for the formation of a new Administrative Discipline structure for Presidential appointees

**PROVINCIAL ADMINISTRATOR,** *Provincial Government of Batangas*  
30 June 2004 to 30 June 2007

**SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN MEMBER,** *Provincial Government of Batangas*  
30 June 1995 to 30 June 1998

**LEGAL OFFICER IV,** *Commission on Human Rights*  
January 1988 to July 1988

### **PRIVATE SECTOR EXPERIENCE**

**CONSULTANT,** *Santos Parungao Aquino and Santos Law Offices*  
July 2007 to May 2010

**PARTNER,** *Sulit and Geron Law Offices*  
July 2001 to May 2004

**PARTNER,** *Castor Sulit Geron and Cepillo Law Offices*  
July 1995 to June 2001

**PERSONNEL AND ADMINISTRATION MANAGER,** *STAR Project*  
*Flour Daniel Pacific, Inc.*  
August 1992 to December 1994

### **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

**PROFESSORIAL LECTURER,** *Batangas State University*  
2007 to 2009  
Local Governments, Administration Law, Election Law

**PROFESSIONAL LECTURER,** *University of Batangas*  
1994 to 1997  
Introduction to Law, Labor Law, Constitutional Law, Torts and Damages

### **COMPETENCIES**

- Extensive knowledge of the government bureaucracy, both in the national and local government settings
- Experience in the academe having taught different law subjects
- Adept in Human Resources Management

## **ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS**

### **BACHELOR OF LAWS (1987)**

*University of the Philippines*  
Diliman, Quezon City

### **BACHELOR OF ARTS, MAJOR IN POLITICAL SCIENCE (1983)**

*University of Batangas*  
Batangas City

## **OTHER QUALIFICATIONS**

- Passed the 1987 Bar Examinations
- Commissioned as Reserved Officer with the Rank of Lieutenant Colonel in the Judge Advocate General Service