

**IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE
COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS**

**IN RE THE
ADOPTION OF UNIVERSAL CITATIONS
FOR APPELLATE OPINIONS WITHOUT SUCH CITATIONS**

GENERAL ORDER NO. 2004-100

ORDER

¶1 WHEREAS, on March 13, 2001, this Court issued General Order 2001-100 (hereinafter Order), adopting the public domain citation format recommended by the American Association of Law Libraries (AALL), as published in the Universal Citation Guide (1999)¹, containing the following four elements without extraneous commas or periods: 1) the calendar year of issuance, 2) the geographic court designation of “MP”, 3) a sequential opinion number and, for pinpoint citations, 4) a paragraph number designating the precise location of the language cited; and

¶2 WHEREAS, 14 opinions issued in the year 1999, 18 opinions issued in the year 2000 and 2 opinions issued in the year 2001 were not assigned universal citations because they were issued subsequent to the publication of N.M.I. Reporter, Volume 5, but prior to the date the Order took effect.

¹ Published by the State Bar of Wisconsin, 5302 Eastpark Boulevard, PO Box 7158, Madison, WI 53707-7158, and available for reference at the Law Revision Commission office.

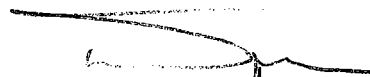
NOW THEREFORE, this Court assigns the following universal citations to the cases listed below, such citation to be used in every brief, memorandum or other document filed with this Court².


Case Name:	Citation:	Appeal No.
Arriola v. Arriola	1999 MP 13	No. 97-049 & 97-050
Office of the Attorney General v. Superior Court (Fabricante)	1999 MP 14	No. 99-001
Pac. Am. Title Ins. & Escrow (CNMI) v. Anderson	1999 MP 15	No. 98-019
Commonwealth v. Ping	1999 MP 16	No. 97-053
Commonwealth v. Suda	1999 MP 17	No. 98-011
Hemley v. Hemley	1999 MP 18	No. 96-052
Office of the Attorney General v. Sagun	1999 MP 19	No. 98-041
Bank of Saipan v. Carlsmith Ball Wichman Case & Ichiki	1999 MP 20	No. 99-004
Sekisui House, Ltd. v. Superior Court	1999 MP 21	No. 99-008
Commonwealth v. Cabrera	1999 MP 22	No. 98-007
Ferreira v. Borja	1999 MP 23	No. 98-003
In re N.T.M.	1999 MP 24	No. 98-022
Nakatsukasa v. Superior Court	1999 MP 25	No. 99-006
Francis v. Welly	1999 MP 26	No. 98-034
Estate of De Leon Guerrero v. Quitugua	2000 MP 1	No. 98-010
Estate of Muna v. Commonwealth	2000 MP 2	No. 98-031 & 98-035
Piteg v. Piteg	2000 MP 3	No. 98-002
Commonwealth v. Scragg	2000 MP 4	No. 98-032

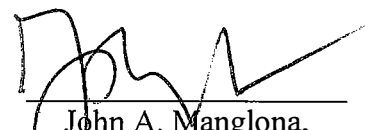
² A parallel citation to the N.M.I. Reporter may be included with citations to these opinions but is not required, since it is a local rather than a regional Reporter and a parallel citation to it is essentially redundant.

Commonwealth v. Martinez	2000 MP 5	No. 98-020
Yang Jae Oh v. Angel Ent., Inc.	2000 MP 6	No. 98-036
Cushnie v. Arriola	2000 MP 7	No. 97-052
In re J.J.C.	2000 MP 8	No. 98-043
Santos v. Santos	2000 MP 9	No. 98-029
Pille v. Sanders	2000 MP 10	No. 99-009
Commonwealth v. O'Connor	2000 MP 11	No. 99-021
Saipan Lau Lau Dev., Inc. v. Superior Court (San Nicolas)	2000 MP 12	No. 00-001
Benavente v. Marianas Public Land Corp.	2000 MP 13	No. 96-049
Pac. Saipan Technical Contractors v. Rahman	2000 MP 14	No. 99-008
Saipan Lau Lau Dev., Inc. v. Superior Court (San Nicolas)	2000 MP 15	No. 00-001
Saipan Lau Lau Dev., Inc. v. Superior Court (San Nicolas)	2000 MP 16	No. 00-001
Angello v. Louis Vuitton Saipan, Inc.	2000 MP 17	No. 00-003
Wabol v. Villacrusis	2000 MP 18	No. 98-008
Bank of Saipan v. Superior Court (Connell)	2001 MP 1	No. 00-003
Saipan Lau Lau Dev., Inc. v. Superior Court (San Nicolas)	2001 MP 2	No. 00-001

Dated this 22nd day of June 2004.


Miguel S. Demapan,
Chief Justice


Alexandro C. Castro,
Associate Justice


John A. Manglona,
Associate Justice