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**Philippine Consulate Hosts Networking Event for Filipino Lawyers  
Taking Post-Graduate Studies in the US Northeast**



*(Seated L-R) Resource speakers Atty. Christian Drilon (Allen & Overy), Atty. Gonzalo Go III (Mayer Brown), Atty. Ryan Castillo (Mayer Brown), Atty. Licelle Cobrador (Cobrador & Associates, PLLC) and Consul General Claros S. Cristobal together with the Filipino lawyers who are former and current LLM students in different universities in the US Northeast. (Photo by NYPCG)*

21 November 2019, New York – The Philippine Consulate General in New York hosted a networking event for Filipino lawyers taking post-graduate studies at different universities in the US Northeast last 20 November 2019. With the support of Gulapa & Baclay LLP, Post organized the event as part of its efforts to coordinate with Filipino student groups and to help them establish networks within the Fil-Am community.

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The students are all lawyers from the Philippines who are currently enrolled at New York University, Columbia University, Fordham University, Cornell Tech and Yale University. Former LLM students also attended the event.

During the meeting, Consul General Claro S. Cristobal encouraged the students to participate in the different activities of the Consulate and be the Consulate's partners in assisting members of the Fil-Am community particularly in legal issues.

The meeting served as venue for sharing of experience on studying LLM, passing the New York State Bar, law practice in New York and giving back to the Fil-Am community with Atty. Christian Drilon (Allen & Overy), Atty. Gonzalo Go III (Mayer Brown), Atty. Ryan Castillo (Mayer Brown) and Atty. Licelle Cobrador (Cobrador & Associates, PLLC) serving as resource speakers. The resource persons were themselves former LLM students from different universities in the US.

The participants thanked the Consulate for reaching out and organizing the event. They expressed their appreciation for the valuable information they gained from this networking event and committed to assist the Consulate in future similar activities. Consul General Cristobal thanked the resource persons and Atty. Yas Sanchez-Hereira (Fordham 2019) and Atty. Patricia Peña-Drilon (Columbia 2018) who assisted in organizing the event.

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*Atty. Ryan Castillo sharing his insights during the Q&A portion of the networking event. (Photo by NYPCG)*

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