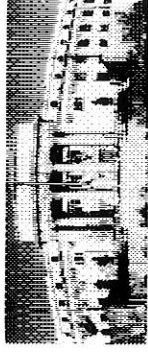




PAMBANSANG MUSEO NG PILIPINAS  
NATIONAL MUSEUM OF THE PHILIPPINES



NMP D08 2024 - 001

## DEED OF SALE

**ACQUISITION OF ONE (1) SKETCHBOOK CONTAINING 12 DRAWINGS OF SOUTHERN PALAWAN, TAWI-TAWI, JOLO AND BASILAN, DATED 1888 FROM THE PUBLIC AUCTION OF BIBLIOPHILES AND EXPLORERS: THE LEGENDARY COLLECTION OF BOOKS, MAPS AND PRINTS OF DON BENITO J. LEGARDA**

PROCURED BY THE NATIONAL MUSEUM OF THE PHILIPPINES  
FOR ITS COLLECTIONS UNDER SECTION 23 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11333

### KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

This **DEED OF SALE** made and entered into this 20 DEC 2023, 2023, in the City of Manila, Philippines by and between:

The **LEON GALLERY FINE ART & ANTIQUES**, with business address at **G/F Eurovilla 1, Rufino Corner Legazpi Streets, Legazpi Village, Makati City**, represented herein by its Director, Mr. **JAIME PONCE DE LEON**, hereinafter referred to as the **"SELLER"**;

-and-

The **NATIONAL MUSEUM OF THE PHILIPPINES**, with office address at the Old Legislative Building, Padre Burgos Drive, Manila, represented in this act by its Director-General, Mr. **JEREMY R. BARNES**, hereinafter referred to as the **"BUYER"**;

### WITNESSETH: That -

- The **SELLER** is duly authorized agent of **ACQUISITION OF ONE (1) SKETCHBOOK CONTAINING 12 DRAWINGS OF SOUTHERN PALAWAN, TAWI-TAWI, JOLO AND BASILAN, DATED 1888 FROM THE PUBLIC AUCTION OF BIBLIOPHILES AND EXPLORERS: THE LEGENDARY COLLECTION OF BOOKS, MAPS AND PRINTS OF DON BENITO J. LEGARDA** hereinafter referred to as the **"ITEM"**:

No.	Title and Description	Reference Image	Price (PhP)
1	ACQUISITION OF ONE (1) SKETCHBOOK CONTAINING 12 DRAWINGS OF SOUTHERN PALAWAN, TAWI-TAWI, JOLO AND BASILAN, DATED 1888	Please see the attached catalog	PhP 408,544.00


- For and in consideration of the amount of **FOUR HUNDRED EIGHT THOUSAND, FIVE HUNDRED FORTY-FOUR PESOS (PHP 408,544.00)**, Philippine currency, in hand paid to the **SELLER** in full satisfaction and acknowledged to have received from the **BUYER**, the

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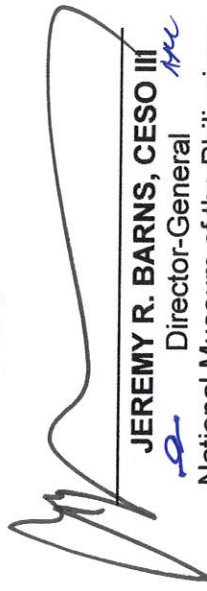
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The **SELLER**:


  
**JAIME PONCE DE LEON**  
Director  
LEON ART GALLERY

For the **BUYER**:

  
**JEREMY R. BARNES, CESO III**  
Director-General  
National Museum of the Philippines

Signed in the Presence of:

  
CELINA P. ARA

  
ATTY. ENWANDO L. CONDE  
Attorney IV

### ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Republic of the Philippines )  
City of Manila ) S.S.

**BEFORE ME**, Notary Public in the City of Manila personally appeared **JAN 12 2024**

Name	Gov't Issued I.D. No.	Date and Place of Issue
JAIME PONCE DE LEON	Phil D.L 602-03-00513	Exp. 2026/08/04 March 12, 2020 DFA Manila
JEREMY R. BARNES	Philippine Passport No. P5076851B	

Known to me and to me known to be the same persons who executed the foregoing instrument, and they acknowledged to me that the same are their free and act and deed.

This instrument consisting of two (2) pages, including the page on which this Acknowledgement is written, has been signed on the left margin on each and every page thereof by the aforementioned persons, and their witnesses, and sealed with my notarial seal.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my notarial seal on the day, year and place first above-written.

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Page No. 28;  
Book No. 1999  
Series of 2024;

**ATTY. CARP CAMATAN AURE**  
NOTARY PUBLIC, ROLL NO. 60777

PTR No. 1527157 Issued on Jan. 2, 2024 until Dec. 31, 2024 Manila  
ISP License No. 74809 Issued on Feb. 2, 2016  
Commission No. 2023-018 Issued on Nov. 18, 2022 Effective Jan. 1, 2023 until Dec. 31, 2024 Manila  
ICL No. 118-0001648 Issued on Nov. 28, 2019 Valid until April 14, 2025 Pasig City  
Office Address: L2F1 Upper Ground Floor, Burgundy Transpacific Plaza,  
2444 A, Taft Avenue, Malate, Manila 1004

# LEON GALLERY FINE ART

Owned & Operated by: LEON JLP INC.  
 GIF Corinthian Plaza Bldg., 121 Paseo de Roxas San Lorenzo, Makati City  
 VAT Reg. TIN: 008-587-557-00000

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## OFFICIAL RECEIPT

Date Jan. 18 20 24

RECEIVED from: National Museum of the Philippines

Engaged in the Bus. Style \_\_\_\_\_ TIN: \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

The amount of Pesos SIXTY EIGHT THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED FORTY FOUR ONLY (P 68,544)

in full / partial payment for legarda Auction 2023 Purchases

VATABLE SALES 61,200

ZERO RATED SALES \_\_\_\_\_

VAT EXEMPT SALES 7,344

VAT AMOUNT 68,544

Less : Withholding Tax \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL AMOUNT \_\_\_\_\_

NYTA MAE ROJAS  
 Authorized Signature

Printer's Accreditation No: 038MP2019000000123  
 Accreditation Date: 1-Jan.-2019; Expiration Date: 30-Jan.-2024

THIS OFFICIAL RECEIPT SHALL BE VALID FOR FIVE (5) YEARS FROM THE DATE OF ATP.

IN SETTLEMENT OF THE FOLLOWING	
PARTICULARS	AMOUNT
<u>legarda Auction 2023</u>	<u>68,544</u>
TOTAL	<u>68,544</u>
MODE OF PAYMENT	
CASH	
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OTHERS	
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ACCOUNT NO.  
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ACCOUNT NAME  
 NATIONAL MUSEUM DONATIONS FUND



CHECK No.  
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BRSTN  
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DATE 01-15-2024

₱ 408,544.00\*\*

"Member: PDIC ONLY"  
 PAY TO THE ORDER OF  
 LEON ART GALLERY\*\*

\*\*FOUR HUNDRED EIGHT THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED FORTY FOUR PESOS ONLY\*\*

\*We allow the electronic clearing of this check and hereby waive the presentation for payment of this original to LANDBANK. Acquisition of 1 sketchbook containing 12 drawings of Palawan, Law-Law, Jolo, Basilan - 1886



**LANDBANK**  
 INTRAMUROS BRANCH  
 PALACIO DEL GOB ANDRES SORIANO JR ST  
 COR GEN LUNA ST INTRAMUROS MANILA

ALVIN CARL C. FORTES  
 Chief Administrative Officer

JEREMY ROBERT BARNS  
 Director-General

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## Acknowledgement Receipt

**PURPOSE :** Auction

This is to acknowledge the receipt of **four hundred eight thousand five hundred forty four (Php 408,544.00)** as Full payment by National Museum of the Philippines to Leon Gallery for The Bibliophiles And Explorers Auction at G/F Eurovilla 1, Rufino corner Legaspi Streets, Legaspi Village, Makati City.

Lot: 13

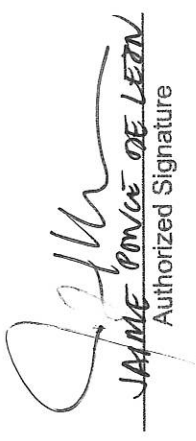
Sketchbook of Palawan

size: 5 1/2" x 8 3/4"

depth: 1/4"

1888

**Payment Details:** 0001392718 2024-01-15

  
**JAIMÉ PONCE DE LEÓN**  
Authorized Signature

G/F Eurovilla 1, Rufino Corner Legazpi Streets,  
Legazpi Village, Makati City  
Philippines  
Tel no. (632) 856-2781

# NATIONAL MUSEUM OF THE PHILIPPINES

Entity Name

Fund Cluster :

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## DISBURSEMENT VOUCHER

2024

Date:

DV No.:

4-01-0080

MDS Check   
  Commercial Check   
  ADA   
  Others (Please specify)

Payee: LEON GALLERY FINE ART & ANTIQUES  
REPRESENTED BY: JAIME PONCE DE LEON

TIN/Employee No.:

CC-708601-2223-12-01 1994

Address: Leon Art Gallery G/F Eurovilla 1, Rufino Corner Legaspi Streets, Legaspi Village, Makati City

12/21/2024

Particulars

Responsibility Center

MFO/PAP

Amount

Payment for the Acquisition of One (1) sketchbook containing 12 drawings of southern Palawan, Tawi-tawi, Jolo and Basilan, dated 1888 from the Public auction of Bibliophiles and Explorers: The Legendary Collection of books, maps and prints of Don Benito J. Legarda under Section 23 R.A. No. 11333

RCCMD

Php408,544.00

15 JAN 2024

2024-01-0080

408,544.00

Charged to NM Donation Fund

Amount Due

A. Certified: Expenses/Cash Advance necessary, lawful and incurred under my direct supervision.

*Agencia*

**ANNE ROSETTE G. CRELENCIA**

Chief Administrative Officer

RESEARCH, COLLECTIONS AND CONSERVATION MANAGEMENT DIVISION

B. Accounting Entry:

Account Title

UACS Code

Debit

Credit

JEV-2024-01-000001

C. Certified:

- Cash available
- Subject to Authority to Debit Account (when applicable)
- Supporting documents complete and amount claimed proper

D. Approved for Payment

*Janberked Right Chaused  
Five hundred forty four  
pesos only*

Signature

Signature

Printed Name

ALVIN CARL C. FORTES

Printed Name

Position

CAO, FSD

Position

Head, Accounting Unit/Authorized Representative

JEREMY R. BARNES, CESO III

Director-General

Date

Date

E. Receipt of Payment

Check/ ADA

Bank Name & Account Number:

JEV No.

No.:

Date:

Printed Name:

Signature:

Date:

Date

Official Receipt No. & Date/Other Documents

JANINE PONCE DE LEON

01/15/24

01/15/24



**PAMBANSANG MUSEO NG PILIPINAS**  
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**NOTICE TO PROCEED**

Pursuant to Sec. 23 of Republic Act 11333 and in accordance with the Deed of Sale dated \_\_\_\_\_ entered into by and between the National Museum of the Philippines and Leon Gallery Fine Art & Antiques, NOTICE is hereby given to:

Owner : **Leon Gallery Fine Art & Antiques represented by JAIME PONCE DE LEON**

Address : **G/F Eurovilla 1, Rufino Corner Legaspi Streets, Legapi Village, Makati City**

Name of Project : **ACQUISITION OF ONE (1) SKETCHBOOK CONTAINING 12 DRAWINGS OF SOUTHERN PALAWAN, TAWI-TAWI, JOLO AND BASILAN, DATED 1888 FROM THE PUBLIC AUCTION OF BIBLIOPHILES AND EXPLORERS: THE LEGENDARY COLLECTION OF BOOKS, MAPS AND PRINTS OF DON BENITO J. LEGARDA**

Lot.	Unit	Qty.	Dimension and Brief Description
1	pc	1	Please see attached catalog

Contract Amount : **PHP 408,544.00**

Contract Effectivity : **Upon the Receipt of this Notice**

This Notice to Proceed is issued this **15** day of **JAN 2024**, 2024 at the City of Manila, Philippines

Conforme: 

**Leon Gallery Fine Art & Antiques represented by JAIME PONCE DE LEON**  
 Owner

Date: **15 JAN 2024**

  
**JEREMY BARNES, CES0 III**  
 Director-General



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Issued this 27<sup>th</sup> of December 2023 at the National Museum of the Philippines Central Office to support the Deed of Sale to support the procurement undertaken using the provisions under the Republic Act No. 11333.

**ALVIN CARL C. FORTES**  
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REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES  
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
LAND TRANSPORTATION OFFICE  
NON-PROFESSIONAL DRIVER'S LICENSE



Last Name, First Name, Middle Name  
**PONCE DE LEON, JAIME LARENA**  
Nationality Sex Date of Birth Weight (kg) Height(m)  
PHL M 1978/08/04 63 1,70  
Address  
01 NOBLEFRANCA ST DUMAGUETE CITY NEGROS



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License No. Expiration Date Agency Code  
G02-03-001513 2026/06/04 N04  
Blood Type Eyes Color Conditions  
None BLACK NONE  
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Signature of Licensee *JL Ponce*  
EDGAR C. GALVANITE  
Assistant Secretary

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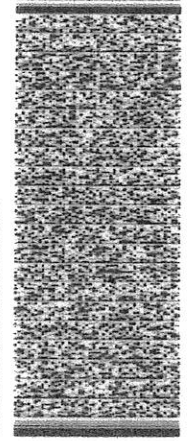
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I WILL NOT DONATE ANY ORGAN  
IV. IN CASE OF EMERGENCY NOTIFY:  
NAME: ROBERT SANTOS  
ADDRESS: 7C Y O ST BRGY PAG-ASA VALENZUELA  
TEL. NO.: 09175398134

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A. WEAR EYEGLASSES  
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Respectfully forwarded the herein attached documents for your perusal and proper action.

**ACQUISITION OF ONE (1) SKETCHBOOK CONTAINING 12 DRAWINGS  
OF SOUTHERN PALAWAN, TAWI-TAWI, JOLO AND BASILAN, DATED  
1888 FROM THE PUBLIC AUCTION OF BIBLIOPHILES AND EXPLORERS:  
THE LEGENDARY COLLECTION OF BOOKS, MAPS AND PRINTS OF DON**

**BENITO J. LEGARDA**

**PHP 408,544.00**

- OBLIGATION REQUEST AND STATUS
- DEED OF SALE
- NOTICE TO PROCEED
- NOTICE OF AWARD
- RESOLUTION # 2023-70
- MEMORANDUM – REQUEST FOR A BAC RESOLUTION PERTAINING TO THE ACQUISITION  
OF ONE (1) SKETCHBOOK DATED 1888 FROM “ BIBLIOPHILES AND EXPLORERS AUCTION:  
THE LEGENDARY COLLECTION OF BOOKS, MAPS AND PRINTS OF DON BENITO J. LEGARDA”  
FROM LEON GALLERY IN MAKATI CITY
- LETTER TO JEREMY R. BARNES
- SECTION 22 CERTIFICATION NO. 2023-02
- RESOLUTION # 4-2023
- INVOICE # 2023-7813
- CERTIFICATION OF AVAILABILITY OF FUND
- PURCHASE REQUEST # 2023 – 12 – 0877
- PPMP

BAC SECRETARIAT

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*12/11/2023*



**PAMBANSANG MUSEO NG PILIPINAS**  
**NATIONAL MUSEUM OF THE PHILIPPINES**

**NOTICE OF AWARD**

**MR. JAIME PONCE DE LEON**

Director  
 Leon Art Gallery  
 G/F Eurovilla 1, Rufino Corner  
 Legaspi Streets, Legaspi Village,  
 Makati City

Dear Mr. De Leon,

The National Museum of the Philippines hereby awards to you the **ACQUISITION OF ONE (1) SKETCHBOOK CONTAINING 12 DRAWINGS OF SOUTHERN PALAWAN, TAWI-TAWI, JOLO AND BASILAN, DATED 1888 FROM THE PUBLIC AUCTION OF BIBLIOPHILES AND EXPLORERS: THE LEGENDARY COLLECTION OF BOOKS, MAPS AND PRINTS OF DON BENITO J. LEGARDA** listed below in the amount of **FOUR HUNDRED EIGHT THOUSAND, FIVE HUNDRED FORTY-FOUR PESOS (PHP 408,544.00)**, pursuant to Section 23 of Republic Act No. 11333:

LOT	Unit	Qty.	Dimension and Brief Description	Price (PhP)
1	BOOK	1	SKETCHBOOK CONTAINING 12 DRAWINGS OF SOUTHERN PALAWAN, TAWI-TAWI, JOLO AND BASILAN, DATED 1888	PhP 408,544.00

\*Note: For the full details please see the attached catalog.

Please affix your signature on the space below to signify your confirmation.

Done this 15 DEC 2023 day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

Thank you.

Confirmed:

**MR. JAIME PONCE DE LEON**  
 Director

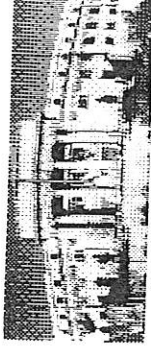
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CERTIFIED TRUE COPY

MELANIE R. MALIWAT  
Administrative Officer III

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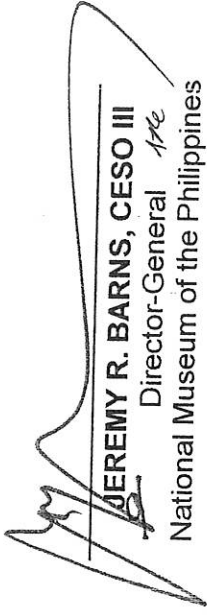
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Director-General *1/1/14*  
National Museum of the Philippines

Signed in the Presence of:

  
CORINA STA ANA

  
ATTY. EDUARDO L-CONSOLACION  
Attorney IV

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

Republic of the Philippines )  
City of Manila ) S.S.

**BEFORE ME**, Notary Public in the City of Manila personally appeared JAN 12 2024

Name	Gov't Issued I.D. No.	Date and Place of Issue
JAIMÉ PONCE DE LEON	PHID.L. 602-03-00513	Exp. 2026/08/04
JEREMY R. BARNES	Philippine Passport No. P5076851B	March 12, 2020 DFA Manila

Known to me and to me known to be the same persons who executed the foregoing instrument, and they acknowledged to me that the same are their free and act and deed.

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**ATTY. GARY SAMTANAN AURE**  
NOTARY PUBLIC  
NOTARY PUBLIC REG. NO. 50777

Doc. No. 111;  
Page No. 28;  
Book No. 6299  
Series of 2023

FTR No. 50777, Issued on Jan. 03, 2018 at Manila, Philippines  
FTR No. 50777, Issued on Jan. 03, 2018 at Manila, Philippines  
Commission No. 2105, Issued on Dec. 10, 2010 at Manila, Philippines  
MILE No. V-05248, Issued on May 01, 2018 at Manila, Philippines  
Office Address: LGU Upper Grand Plaza, Barangay Transpacific Plaza  
2441A, East Avenue, Alabang, Muntinlupa, 1604



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Issued this 27<sup>th</sup> of December 2023 at the National Museum of the Philippines Central Office to support the Deed of Sale to support the procurement undertaken using the provisions under the Republic Act No. 11333.

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Address : **G/F Eurovilla 1, Rufino Corner Legaspi Streets, Legapi Village, Makati City**

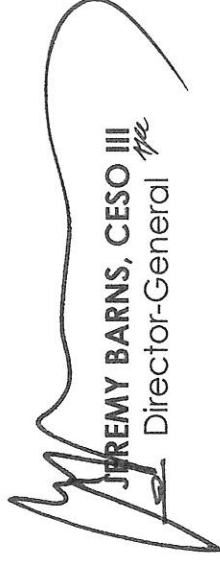
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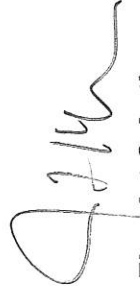
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Contract Amount : **PhP 408,544.00**

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**Jeremy BARNs, CES0 III**  
 Director-General

Conforme: 

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Date: \_\_\_\_\_



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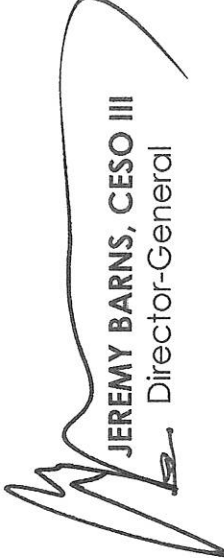
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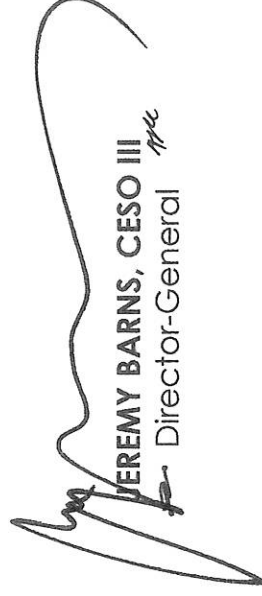
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**NOTICE OF AWARD**

**MR. JAIME PONCE DE LEON**

Director  
 Leon Art Gallery  
 G/F Eurovilla 1, Rufino Corner  
 Legaspi Streets, Legaspi Village,  
 Makati City

Dear Mr. De Leon,

The National Museum of the Philippines hereby awards to you the **ACQUISITION OF ONE (1) SKETCHBOOK CONTAINING 12 DRAWINGS OF SOUTHERN PALAWAN, TAWI-TAWI, JOLO AND BASILAN, DATED 1888 FROM THE PUBLIC AUCTION OF BIBLIOPHILES AND EXPLORERS: THE LEGENDARY COLLECTION OF BOOKS, MAPS AND PRINTS OF DON BENITO J. LEGARDA** listed below in the amount of **FOUR HUNDRED EIGHT THOUSAND, FIVE HUNDRED FORTY-FOUR PESOS (PHP 408,544.00)**, pursuant to Section 23 of Republic Act No. 11333:

LOT	Unit	Qty.	Dimension and Brief Description	Price (PhP)
1	BOOK	1	SKETCHBOOK CONTAINING 12 DRAWINGS OF SOUTHERN PALAWAN, TAWI-TAWI, JOLO AND BASILAN, DATED 1888	PhP 408,544.00

\*Note: For the full details please see the attached catalog.

Please affix your signature on the space below to signify your confirmation.

Done this 15 DEC 2023, 2023.

Thank you.

Confirms:

  
**MR. JAIME PONCE DE LEON**  
 Director

Date: 12/15/2023

  
**JEREMY BARNES, CESONHI**  
 Director-General





**PAMBANSANG MUSEO NG PILIPINAS  
NATIONAL MUSEUM OF THE PHILIPPINES  
BIDS AND AWARDS COMMITTEE**

**RESOLUTION No. 2023 – 70**

**ACQUISITION OF ONE (1) SKETCHBOOK CONTAINING 12 DRAWINGS OF SOUTHERN PALAWAN, TAWI-TAWI, JOLO AND BASILAN, DATED 1888 FROM THE PUBLIC AUCTION OF BIBLIOPHILES AND EXPLORERS: THE LEGENDARY COLLECTION OF BOOKS, MAPS AND PRINTS OF DON BENITO J. LEGARDA**

**WHEREAS**, the National Museum of the Philippines intends to undertake the **ACQUISITION OF ONE (1) SKETCHBOOK CONTAINING 12 DRAWINGS OF SOUTHERN PALAWAN, TAWI-TAWI, JOLO AND BASILAN, DATED 1888 FROM THE PUBLIC AUCTION OF BIBLIOPHILES AND EXPLORERS: THE LEGENDARY COLLECTION OF BOOKS, MAPS AND PRINTS OF DON BENITO J. LEGARDA**;

**WHEREAS**, it is provided for in Sec. 23 of RA 11333 that “the National Museum, as a general rule, shall be allowed to procure collections/items by means of bidding at Public Auction, in such special cases as the Board shall in each instance approve by means of a resolution. For each item, the Board shall predetermine an appropriate price ceiling based on its judgment of the fair market valuation of the same, exclusive of commissions, fees, charges, taxes and other associated expenses;

**WHEREAS**, on 17 November 2023, the Director-General of NMP sent a letter to the management of Leon Auction House of the intent of the NMP to participate in the auction for the sketchbook of Palawan.

**WHEREAS**, on 17 November 2023, a Resolution was issued by the Board of Trustees authorized the National Museum of the Philippines to procure certain unique, special and/or original items for the collections of the agency through participation in the Public Auction of Bibliophiles and Explorers: The Legendary Collection of Books, Maps and Prints of Don Benito J. Legarda (Please see attached Resolution no. 4-2023);

**WHEREAS**, a public auction was conducted on November 18, 2023, at Leon Art Gallery, an auction house in Makati City for the sale of **one (1) Sketchbook containing 12 drawings of Southern Palawan, Tawi-tawi, Jolo and Basilan, dated 1888**;

**WHEREAS**, the National Museum of the Philippines successfully acquired the aforementioned works of art with the total cost of **Four Hundred Eight Thousand, Five Hundred Forty-Four Pesos (PHP408,544.00 Philippine Currency)**, which includes the Winning Bid or Hammer Price of Three Hundred Forty Thousand Pesos (PHP 340,000.00) and a Buyer's Premium (that is, commissions and taxes) of Sixty-Eight Thousand Five Hundred Forty-Four Pesos (PHP 68,544.00);

**WHEREAS, Leon Art Gallery**, duly authorized agent of the aforementioned works of art, issued an invoice (Please see attached invoice with receipt no. 2023-7813 dated November 18, 2023);

**WHEREAS**, a certificate was issued by the Director-General, certifying that the aforementioned works of art is of appropriate significance to the National Museum and of importance to the heritage and patrimony of the Filipino people, that the negotiated price is reasonable and fair, that no conflicts of interest as may be defined by prevailing laws, rules and regulations exist, and that the item in question has not been illegally acquired or trafficked (Please see attached certificate dated December 1, 2023);

**WHEREAS**, after verification of all documents required for the procurement of the aforementioned works of art, the Committee finds that said documents are in order;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the members of the Bids and Awards Committee hereby recommend as we hereby recommend that the **ACQUISITION OF ONE (1) SKETCHBOOK CONTAINING 12 DRAWINGS OF SOUTHERN PALAWAN, TAWI-TAWI, JOLO AND BASILAN, DATED 1888 FROM THE PUBLIC AUCTION OF BIBLIOPHILES AND EXPLORERS: THE LEGENDARY COLLECTION OF BOOKS, MAPS AND PRINTS OF DON BENITO J. LEGARDA** be awarded to **Leon Art Gallery** for the amount of **Four Hundred Eight Thousand, Five Hundred Forty-Four Pesos (PHP408,544.00 Philippine Currency)**.

**16 DEC 2023**

Done this \_\_\_ day of December, 2023, at the City of Manila, Philippines.

### **National Museum of the Philippines, Bids and Awards Committee**


  
**ATTY. MA. ROSENNE M. FLORES-AVILA**  
Chairperson, NMPBAC

  
**ATTY. EDWARD L. CONSOLACION**  
Vice-Chairperson

  
**MARIANATHE KAY F. MISA**  
Member

  
**LAURO B. INOVERO**  
Member

Approved by

  
**JEREMY BARNES, CESO III**  
Director – General

Republic of the Philippines  
National Museum

Board of Trustees

RESOLUTION NO. 4-2023

**AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL OF THE NATIONAL MUSEUM OF THE PHILIPPINES TO PROCURE CERTAIN UNIQUE, SPECIAL AND/OR ORIGINAL ITEMS FOR THE COLLECTIONS OF THE AGENCY THROUGH PARTICIPATION IN “THE BIBLIOPHILES AND EXPLORERS AUCTION: THE LEGENDARY COLLECTION OF BOOKS, MAPS AND PRINTS OF DON BENITO J. LEGARDA”, A PUBLIC AUCTION TO BE HELD BY LEON GALLERY IN MAKATI CITY, ON NOVEMBER 18, 2023**

**WHEREAS**, Section 22 of the National Museum of the Philippines Act (Republic Act No. 11333), entitled “Procurement of Items for the National Museum Collections” states that “The procurement of unique, special and/or original items by the National Museum for its collections, charged to any of its sources of funds as may be allowed, and authorized by the Head of Agency and concurred to by the Board, shall be exempted from applicable laws, rules and regulations regarding government procurement”;

**WHEREAS**, Section 23 of the the National Museum of the Philippines Act (Republic Act No. 11333, entitled “Procurement Through Public Auction” states that “The National Museum shall be authorized to procure unique, special and/or original items for its collections through bidding at public auction, including online public auction, in such special cases as the Board shall in each instance approve by means of a resolution”; and that “For each item, the Board shall predetermine an appropriate price ceiling based on its judgment of the fair market valuation of the same, exclusive of commissions, fees, charges, taxes and other associated expenses”;

**WHEREAS**, Leon Gallery, an auction house with business address in Makati City, is holding an auction entitled “The Bibliophiles and Explores Auction: The Legendary Collection of Books, Maps and Prints of Don Benito J. Legarda” on November 18, 2023;

**WHEREAS**, the Director-General of the National Museum of the Philippines has identified one (1) lot included in the aforementioned public auction as being of particular interest to the Agency and has requested authorization from the Board of Trustees through its Chairperson in an electronic communication dated November 13, 2023, to participate in the auction in order to bid for the same and, keeping within a predetermined price ceiling to be established by the Board of Trustees, attempt to successfully acquire the same for its collections;

**WHEREAS**, the aforesaid one (1) lot is Lot No. 13, entitled “Sketchbook of Palawan”, and is described by the Director-General in his aforementioned communication with the Chairperson, after physical examination of the item and research, as:

A wholly unique sketchbook dated 1888 as artistically drawn on its cloth cover, it contains within its bound pages twelve (12) sketches in fair condition.

These pencil sketches show some early, if not the earliest known, views of: 1) Cuyo on Cuyo Island, Palawan (including its Fort) from aboard the *Luzon* on July 27, 1888; 2) Puerto Princesa, Palawan from aboard the *Luzon*; 3) the Spanish Detachment at Separation Point, today in Burirao, Narra, Palawan from aboard the *Luzon* on July 30, 1888; 4) the Spanish Detachment at Marangas, today in Marangas (Poblacion), Batarazas, Palawan from aboard the *Luzon* on July 31, 1888; 5) the Spanish Detachment at Canipan, today in Canipaan, Rizal, Palawan from aboard the *Luzon* on August 1, 1888; 6) the Spanish Detachment at Culasian, today in Culasian, Rizal, Palawan from aboard the *Luzon* on August 2, 1888; 7) the Spanish Detachment at Alfonso XIII, today Alfonso XIII (Poblacion), Quezon, Palawan from the sea on August 3, 1888; 8) Balabac on Balabac Island, Palawan (including the Principe Alfonso Fort) from aboard the *Luzon* on August 5, 1888; 9) Cagayan de Jolo, later Cagayan de Tawi-Tawi and today Mapun Island from aboard the *Luzon* on August 6, 1888; 10) Jolo on Jolo Island from aboard the *Luzon* on August 7, 1888; and 11) Isabela de Basilan on Basilan Island from aboard the *Luzon* on August 8, 1888. The twelfth sketch is what appears to be a view of the stern of the *Luzon* from the top deck of the ship.

The sketches were clearly made outdoors and from life during a voyage on the ship *Luzon* headed by Felipe Canga-Argüelles y Villalba, governor of Paragua (Palawan). They were drawn by an as yet unidentified artist from among the party, which may have been Canga-Argüelles himself.

As to provenance, an associated book in the auction... indicates... that the sketchbook was likely sent in or soon after 1888 to Joaquin Jovellar, governor-general of the Philippines from 1883 to 1885, in Spain and, at some point, went from his estate through an as yet unknown chain of intermediate owners to the collection of Dr. Benito Legarda.

The item has a published starting price at Twenty Thousand Pesos (PHP20,000.00) but is expected to fetch a significantly higher price in the auction.

**WHEREAS**, the Board shall predetermine an appropriate price ceiling for the acquisition of the aforesaid lot based on its judgment of the fair market valuation of the same, exclusive of commissions, fees, charges, taxes and other associated expenses, and has duly taken note of the estimate of the Director-General as communicated to the Chairperson of the Board of a median value of Five Hundred Thousand Pesos, plus or minus Three Hundred Thousand Pesos (PHP500,000.00 ± PHP300,000.00), or a range from Two Hundred Thousand


Pesos to Eight Hundred Thousand Pesos (PHP200,000.00 – PHP800,000.00), the wide range being due, according to the Director-General, to a dearth of comparable data relative to similar items and uncertainty as to the extent of serious interest in the item in the market;

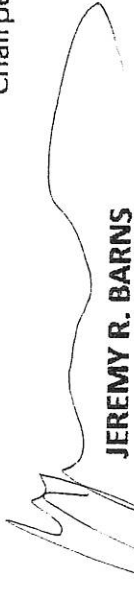
**NOW THEREFORE, BY ITS AUTHORITY UNDER THE NATIONAL MUSEUM ACT OF THE PHILIPPINES, AND OTHER PERTINENT LAWS AND ISSUANCES, BE IT RESOLVED, AS THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES HEREBY RESOLVES:**

1. Under Sections 22 and 23 of the National Museum Act of the Philippines (Republic Act No. 11333):

- a. To authorize the Director-General of the National Museum of the Philippines to participate in person at the auction entitled “The Bibliophiles and Explorers Auction: The Legendary Collection of Books, Maps and Prints of Don Benito J. Legarda”, a public auction to be held by Leon Gallery in Makati City, on November 18, 2023, beginning at two o’clock in the afternoon;
  - b. To authorize the Director-General to personally place bids in the aforesaid auction for the sole purpose of acquiring Lot No. 13, entitled “Sketchbook of Palawan”, which is a unique, special and original item appropriate for inclusion in the collections of the National Museum; and
  - c. To establish the appropriate price ceiling for the said Lot 13, at Eight Hundred Thousand Pesos (PHP800,000.00), based on the judgment of the Board of Trustees of the fair market valuation of the same, which is in concurrence with the estimate of the Director-General as being within the range of Two Hundred Thousand Pesos to Eight Hundred Thousand Pesos (PHP200,000.00 – PHP800,000.00), exclusive of commissions, fees, charges, taxes and other associated expenses; and
  - d. To allow the Director-General, in the event that Lot No. 13 is successfully sold to the National Museum of the Philippines at a bid price of Eight Hundred Thousand Pesos (PHP800,000.00) or less, to authorize the final total payable amount, as indicated in the invoice to be issued to the National Museum of the Philippines by Leon Gallery, which shall include the relevant commissions, fees, charges, taxes and other associated expenses in addition to the bid price for the item, to be charged to donated funds under the National Museum Donations Fund available for the purpose.
2. To direct the Director-General, in the course of undertaking this special procurement that is exempted by Sections 22 and 23 of the National Museum Act of the Philippines (Republic Act No. 11333) from the general laws, rules and regulations involving government procurement, to ensure total and faithful compliance by the National Museum of the Philippines with the requirements and procedures stipulated therein.

ADOPTED,

  
**ANDONI M. ABOITIZ**  
Chairperson

  
**JEREMY R. BARNES**  
National Museum of the Philippines  
Trustee Ex-Officio

**SARA Z. DUTERTE**  
Department of Education  
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House of Representatives  
Trustee Ex-Officio

RESOLUTION NO. 4-2023 WAS ADOPTED AD REFERENDUM BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
ON 17 November 2023

*Marianatha Kay Misa*  
**MARIANATHE KAY F. MISA**  
Secretary of the Board of Trustees



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**SECTION 22 CERTIFICATION NO. 2023-02**

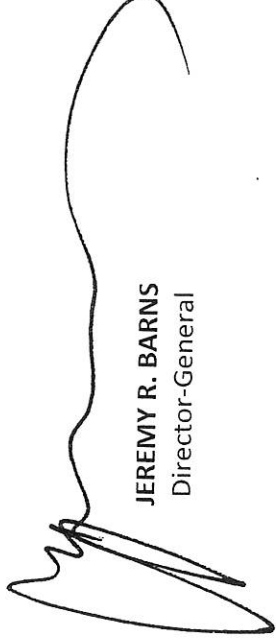
**CERTIFICATION OF THE HEAD OF AGENCY RELATIVE TO A CERTAIN ITEM TO BE PROCURED BY  
THE NATIONAL MUSEUM OF THE PHILIPPINES FOR ITS COLLECTIONS FROM THE ESTATE OF  
DR. BENITO J. LEGARDA THROUGH PUBLIC AUCTION**

I hereby certify that the following item, a Sketchbook containing 12 drawings of Southern Palawan, Tawi-Tawi, Jolo and Basilan, dated 1888, which was offered by Leon Gallery, an auction house with place of business at Makati City, at “The Bibliophiles and Explorers Auction: The Legendary Collection of Books, Maps and Prints of Don Benito J. Legarda” on November 18, 2023, more specifically listed and illustrated in the catalog attached hereto, to be acquired after successful participation in the said auction, is of appropriate significance to the National Museum of the Philippines and of importance to the heritage and patrimony of the Filipino people; that the total price pertaining to the said item, which is in the amount of **Four Hundred and Eight Thousand, Five Hundred and Forty-Four Pesos (PHP408,544.00)**, comprising the Winning Bid or Hammer Price of Three Hundred and Forty Thousand Pesos (PHP340,000), and Buyers Premium (that is, commissions and taxes) of Sixty-Eight Thousand Five Hundred and Forty-Four Pesos (PHP68,544.00), is reasonable and fair; that no conflicts of interest as may be defined by prevailing laws, rules and regulations, as well as the ethical standards of museum practice exist in relation to this procurement by the agency from the selling party; and that the items have not, to the knowledge of this agency, been illegally acquired or trafficked:

<b>Lot</b>	<b>Title and Description</b>	<b>Reference Image</b>	<b>Price (PHP)</b>
1	One (1) Sketchbook dated 1888	See attached catalog	340,000.00
		Buyers Premium	68,544.00
		<b>Total Price</b>	<b>408,544.00</b>

This Certification is issued in compliance with Section 22 of Republic Act No. 11333 that provides for the procurement of unique, special and/or original items by the National Museum of the Philippines for its collections by means of direct negotiation with the owners of such items, or their duly designated agents or representatives, in the Philippines and abroad.

Given this 1<sup>st</sup> day of December, 2023, in the City of Manila.



**JEREMY R. BARNES**  
Director-General

### Invoice

Receipt No. :2023-7813  
Name : National Museum Of The Philippines  
Date : November 18,2023

**ARTIST**

**DETAILS**

LOT 13

**BID PRICE**

Hammer Price 340,000  
Buyers Premium 68,544  
Sub Total 408,544



Sketchbook of Palawan

Sub Total  
Buyers Premium  
Total

340,000  
68,544

**PHP 408,544**

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Authorized Signature

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Account Type: PESO ACCOUNT

Account No.: 166-7-166-52009-2

Bank/Branch: Metrobank - Corinthian Plaza Branch

Branch Swift Code: MBTCPHMM

Bank Address: G/F Corinthian Plaza Bldg. 121 cor. Paseo De Roxas, Gamboa Streets, Legazpi Village, Makati City

2.) Account Name: LEON JLP INC.

Account Type: PESO ACCOUNT

Account no.: 0003 2002 4611

Branch: UnionBank Rada Branch

Branch swift code: UBPHPHMMXXX

Bank Address: Meralco Avenue cor. Onyx and Sapphire Streets UnionBank Plaza Ortigas ce Pasig City Metro Manila

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**PAMBANSANG MUSEO NG PILIPINAS**  
**NATIONAL MUSEUM OF THE PHILIPPINES**

**RESEARCH, COLLECTIONS AND CONSERVATION MANAGEMENT DIVISION**

**MEMORANDUM**

**FOR :** **ATTY. MA. ROSENNE M. FLORES-AVILA**  
Chairperson, Bids and Awards Committee

**THRU :** **MR. EDWIN J. DELA ROSA**  
Bids and Awards Committee Secretariat

**FROM :** **ANNE ROSETTE G. CRELENCIA**  
Chief Administrative Officer, RCCMID

**DATE :** **04 December 2023**

**SUBJECT :** **Request for a BAC resolution pertaining to the acquisition of One (1) Sketchbook dated 1888 from "Bibliophiles and Explorers Auction: The Legendary Collection of Books, Maps and Prints of Don Benito J. Legarda" from Leon Gallery in Makati City**

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Per RA 11333 Section 23, this is to request your good office for the issuance of BAC resolution necessary for the acquisition of One (1) Sketchbook dated 1888 from "Bibliophiles and Explorers Auction: The Legendary Collection of Books, Maps and Prints of Don Benito J. Legarda" from Leon Gallery in Makati City. Attached herewith are the original copies of NMP Letter of Intent, Invoice from Leon Gallery, Certification of the Head of Agency relative to a certain item to be procured by the National Museum of the Philippines for its collections from the estate of Dr. Benito J. Legarda through public auction, Endorsement of NMP Board Resolution No. 4-2023, Section 22 Cert. No. 2023-02 all approved by Director-General Jeremy Barns for your reference.

For your kind consideration.

Thank you.

  
**ANNE ROSETTE G. CRELENCIA**  
Chief Administrative Officer

Encl: Original copies of NMP Letter of Intent, Invoice from Leon Gallery, Certification of the Head of Agency relative to a certain item to be procured by the National Museum of the Philippines for its collections from the estate of Dr. Benito J. Legarda through public auction, Endorsement of NMP Board Resolution No. 4-2023, Section 22 Cert. No 2023-02

Cc: None  
RCCMID/CRELENCIA/mtf



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**OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

**FOR :** Ms. ANNE ROSETTE G. CRELENCIA  
Chief Administrative Officer  
Research and Collection Conservation Management Division

**FROM :** Board of Trustees Secretariat

**DATE :** 1 December 2023

**SUBJECT :** Endorsement of NMP Board Resolution No. 4-2023 and related documents

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As discussed during the meeting, this is to endorse the signed NMP Board Resolution No. 4-2023, with the subject, "AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL OF THE NATIONAL MUSEUM OF THE PHILIPPINES TO PROCURE CERTAIN UNIQUE, SPECIAL AND/OR ORIGINAL ITEMS FOR THE COLLECTIONS OF THE AGENCY THROUGH PARTICIPATION IN "THE BIBLIOPHILES AND EXPLORERS AUCTION: THE LEGENDARY COLLECTION OF BOOKS, MAPS AND PRINTS OF DON BENITO J. LEGARDA", A PUBLIC AUCTION TO BE HELD BY LEON GALLERY IN MAKATI CITY, ON NOVEMBER 18, 2023", together with original copies of the following supporting documents:

1. NMP Letter of Intent
2. Invoice from Leon Gallery
3. Certification of the Head of Agency relative to a certain item to be procured by the National Museum of the Philippines for its collections from the estate of Dr. Benito J. Legarda through public auction

Thank you.

*Marianatha Kay Misa*  
**MARIANATHE KAY MISA**

Board Secretary IV, Board of Trustees Secretariat

Encl: As stated  
CC: NONE  
NMPBOTSec/Misa/mkkm



**PAMBANSANG MUSEO NG PILIPINAS**  
**NATIONAL MUSEUM OF THE PHILIPPINES**

November 17, 2023

**MR. JAIME PONCE DE LEON**

Director  
Leon Gallery  
Eurovilla 1  
Rufino corner Legazpi Streets  
Legazpi Village, Makati City

Dear Mr. Ponce de Leon,

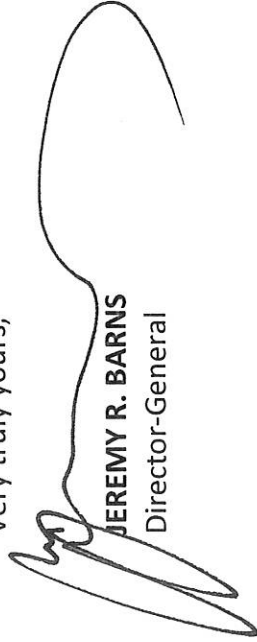
Greetings from the National Museum of the Philippines!

This is to inform you of our intent to participate in “The Bibliophiles and Explorers Auction: The Legendary Collection of Books, Maps and Prints of Don Benito J. Legarda” on November 18, 2023. Specifically, the undersigned has received authority by our Board of Trustees to participate therein and bid for Lot No. 13, entitled “Sketchbook of Palawan” in the hope of acquiring it for our collections.

Section 23 of Republic Act No. 11333, the “National Museum of the Philippines Act”, states that “The interest of the National Museum in a certain item shall be made known to the management of the public auction, which shall duly disclose or otherwise announce it to all parties registered to observe or participate in the said auction.” Pursuant to this, may I request that an appropriate disclosure or announcement concerning our interest in acquiring Lot No. 13 be made by the management of Leon Gallery at the November 18 auction at the proper time as prescribed by the law.

Thank you very much. Your usual strong support of the National Museum is highly appreciated as always, and we look forward to the auction.

Very truly yours,



**JEREMY R. BARNES**  
Director-General

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## Request for Authorization from the Board of Trustees to acquire the 1888 "Sketchbook of Palawan" at the November 18 Leon Gallery Auction in Makati

From: Jeremy Barns (jeremy\_barns@yahoo.com)  
To: andoni.aboitiz.mendieta@gmail.com  
Cc: nmp.botsecretariat@gmail.com; mk.misa@gmail.com; magaschristielene@gmail.com; rosenavila@gmail.com; jorell.legaspi@gmail.com  
Date: Monday, November 13, 2023 at 08:19 AM GMT+8

Dear **CHAIRMAN ABOITIZ**,

Greetings!

As we have been discussing, Leon Gallery in Makati City will be holding a public auction, "The Bibliophiles and Explores Auction: The Legendary Collection of Books, Maps and Prints of Don Benito J. Legarda", on November 18, 2023.

While there are many items of interest among the lots, I would like to single out Lot No. 13, entitled "Sketchbook of Palawan", in particular. A wholly unique sketchbook dated 1888 as artistically drawn on its cloth cover, it contains within its bound pages twelve (12) sketches in fair condition.

These pencil sketches show some early, if not the earliest known, views of: 1) Cuyo on Cuyo Island, Palawan (including its Fort) from aboard the Luzon on July 27, 1888; 2) Puerto Princesa, Palawan from aboard the Luzon; 3) the Spanish Detachment at Separation Point, today in Burirao, Narra, Palawan from aboard the Luzon on July 30, 1888; 4) the Spanish Detachment at Marangas, today in Marangas (Poblacion), Batarazas, Palawan from aboard the Luzon on July 31, 1888; 5) the Spanish Detachment at Canipan, today in Canipaan, Rizal, Palawan from aboard the Luzon on August 1, 1888; 6) the Spanish Detachment at Culasian, today in Culasian, Rizal, Palawan from aboard the Luzon on August 2, 1888; 7) the Spanish Detachment at Alfonso XIII, today Alfonso XIII (Poblacion), Quezon, Palawan from the sea on August 3, 1888; 8) Balabac on Balabac Island, Palawan (including the Principe Alfonso Fort) from aboard the Luzon on August 5, 1888; 9) Cagayan de Jolo, later Cagayan de Tawi-Tawi and today Mapun Island from aboard the Luzon on August 6, 1888; 10) Jolo on Jolo Island from aboard the Luzon on August 7, 1888; and 11) Isabela de Basilan on Basilan Island from aboard the Luzon on August 8, 1888. The twelfth sketch is what appears to be a view of the stern of the Luzon from the top deck of the ship.

The sketches were clearly made outdoors and from life during a voyage on the ship Luzon headed by Felipe Canga-Argüelles y Villalba, governor of Paragua (Palawan). They were drawn by an as yet unidentified artist from among the party, who may have been Canga-Argüelles himself.

As to provenance, an associated book in the auction (Lot No. 12) indicates due to a dedicatory inscription inside its cover that the sketchbook was likely sent in or soon after 1888 to Joaquin Jovellar, governor-general of the Philippines from 1883 to 1885, in Spain and, at some point, went from his estate through an as yet unknown chain of intermediate owners to the collection of Dr. Benito Legarda.

I have never seen anything like the views in this sketchbook, which mostly show southern Palawan when it was still virgin territory, totally unexploited, and in some cases the places named have grown into modern towns like Batarazas, Quezon and Rizal, whose inhabitants would be amazed to see how their areas looked only 135 years ago before there was any actual settlement beyond the small military detachments placed to secure this distant part of the then Spanish Philippines.

Artistically, the sketches are good and certainly charming, with their condition and that of the original binding generally fair. I know you agree that it would be a highly valuable service on our part to bring this sketchbook and the images of the sketches into the public domain through their acquisition by the National Museum as they are a priceless testament in the history of Palawan. I would propose that the sketchbook be deposited in our Fine Arts Division, and that the sketches be promoted with the original on occasional display at the National Museum of Fine Arts and reproduction images at the NMP-Tabon Cave Complex in Quezon, Palawan and elsewhere, such as at NMP-Jolo, Sulu, as appropriate.

As such, may I respectfully request authority to bid for Lot No. 13 at the coming auction on November 15 from the Board of Trustees? Here we are governed by Sections 22 and 23 of the NMP Charter (Republic Act No. 11333), which requires a Board Resolution authorizing me to participate in a public auction for a specific lot, for which a price ceiling will be pre-determined based on the Board's judgement as to the item's fair market value.

Of course, the main consideration in moving to acquire this item will be the price. The item has a published starting price at Twenty Thousand Pesos (PHP20,000.00) but is expected to fetch a significantly higher price in the auction. Knowledgeable sources I have consulted and I agree that it is very hard to estimate a fair market value for this Palawan Sketchbook given that it is a unique item, both historical artifact and set of artworks, and on a subject that, although of great interest to the National Museum, would be considered very obscure by most, which of course could also mean that the price might go very high among the few collectors who might well be as deeply interested in it as we are.

After much thought and some consultation, I feel that the sketchbook can reasonably be given an estimated value of around Five Hundred Thousand Pesos (PHP500,000.00), but could be sold as low as around Two Hundred Thousand Pesos (PHP200,000.00) or as high as Eight Hundred Thousand Pesos (PHP800,000.00), which means a range of Three Hundred Thousand Pesos, plus or minus (± PHP300,000.00). I would regard anything above Eight Hundred Thousand Pesos (PHP800,000.00) as too expensive and so would suggest that as the maximum price ceiling for our purpose. I propose that this be charged to the National Museum Donations Fund, where we have ample donated funds available to cover this amount.

Should you agree and be willing to endorse my request to the Board of Trustees, may I respectfully draw your attention to the **attached draft Board Resolution** which, should you find it in order, the BOT Secretariat can circulate immediately, together with your note of endorsement, for approval ad referendum. Should a majority of the Trustees, who presently are twelve (12) in number, indicate approval, then the Resolution would be considered approved and the needed authority to bid in the auction for the Sketchbook thereby granted. The Secretariat will indicate that approval should be given by the Trustees before Friday, November 17.

Likewise **attached is a compilation of documentation** on the Sketchbook of Palawan, as well as information on the auction and its terms and conditions, for your reference.

This will be the first time since the approval of Republic Act No. 11333 in 2019 that we have invoked its provisions in Sections 22 and 23 that allow the NMP to acquire collections items at public auction, and I think this 1888 Sketchbook of Palawan is appropriate as the object of such a milestone. This also means that I will be doubly careful to scrupulously adhere to the requirements and procedures prescribed in our Charter, so that a positive precedent is set for future similar actions of management with the approval of the Board of Trustees.

Thank you very much, Chairman, and I hope for your positive response and usual strong support. Ms. MK Misa and Ms. Raine Magas of our BOT Secretariat are copied on this message, together with the Deputy Directors-General, so as to receive any instructions you may have in this matter.

Yours sincerely,

**JEREMY BARNES**

Director-General

National Museum of the Philippines



LOT 13 - SKETCHBOOK OF PALAWAN (1888).pdf

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Proposed Board Resolution No. 3-2023 (Participation in November 18 2023 Leon Gallery Auction).pdf

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**NATIONAL MUSEUM OF THE PHILIPPINES**

## **SECTION 22 CERTIFICATION NO. 2023-02**

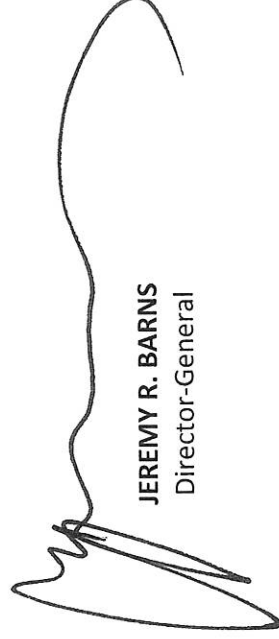
**CERTIFICATION OF THE HEAD OF AGENCY RELATIVE TO A CERTAIN ITEM TO BE PROCURED BY  
THE NATIONAL MUSEUM OF THE PHILIPPINES FOR ITS COLLECTIONS FROM THE ESTATE OF  
DR. BENITO J. LEGARDA THROUGH PUBLIC AUCTION**

I hereby certify that the following item, a Sketchbook containing 12 drawings of Southern Palawan, Tawi-Tawi, Jolo and Basilan, dated 1888, which was offered by Leon Gallery, an auction house with place of business at Makati City, at “The Bibliophiles and Explorers Auction: The Legendary Collection of Books, Maps and Prints of Don Benito J. Legarda” on November 18, 2023, more specifically listed and illustrated in the catalog attached hereto, to be acquired after successful participation in the said auction, is of appropriate significance to the National Museum of the Philippines and of importance to the heritage and patrimony of the Filipino people; that the total price pertaining to the said item, which is in the amount of **Four Hundred and Eight Thousand, Five Hundred and Forty-Four Pesos (PHP408,544.00)**, comprising the Winning Bid or Hammer Price of Three Hundred and Forty Thousand Pesos (PHP340,000), and Buyers Premium (that is, commissions and taxes) of Sixty-Eight Thousand Five Hundred and Forty-Four Pesos (PHP68,544.00), is reasonable and fair; that no conflicts of interest as may be defined by prevailing laws, rules and regulations, as well as the ethical standards of museum practice exist in relation to this procurement by the agency from the selling party; and that the items have not, to the knowledge of this agency, been illegally acquired or trafficked:

<b>Lot</b>	<b>Title and Description</b>	<b>Reference Image</b>	<b>Price (PHP)</b>
1	One (1) Sketchbook dated 1888	See attached catalog	340,000.00
		Buyers Premium	68,544.00
		<b>Total Price</b>	<b>408,544.00</b>

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Given this 1<sup>st</sup> day of December, 2023, in the City of Manila.



**JEREMY R. BARNES**  
Director-General

Republic of the Philippines  
National Museum

Board of Trustees

RESOLUTION NO. 4-2023

**AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL OF THE NATIONAL MUSEUM OF THE PHILIPPINES TO PROCURE CERTAIN UNIQUE, SPECIAL AND/OR ORIGINAL ITEMS FOR THE COLLECTIONS OF THE AGENCY THROUGH PARTICIPATION IN “THE BIBLIOPHILES AND EXPLORERS AUCTION: THE LEGENDARY COLLECTION OF BOOKS, MAPS AND PRINTS OF DON BENITO J. LEGARDA”, A PUBLIC AUCTION TO BE HELD BY LEON GALLERY IN MAKATI CITY, ON NOVEMBER 18, 2023**

**WHEREAS**, Section 22 of the National Museum of the Philippines Act (Republic Act No. 11333), entitled “Procurement of Items for the National Museum Collections” states that “The procurement of unique, special and/or original items by the National Museum for its collections, charged to any of its sources of funds as may be allowed, and authorized by the Head of Agency and concurred to by the Board, shall be exempted from applicable laws, rules and regulations regarding government procurement”;

**WHEREAS**, Section 23 of the National Museum of the Philippines Act (Republic Act No. 11333, entitled “Procurement Through Public Auction” states that “The National Museum shall be authorized to procure unique, special and/or original items for its collections through bidding at public auction, including online public auction, in such special cases as the Board shall in each instance approve by means of a resolution”; and that “For each item, the Board shall predetermine an appropriate price ceiling based on its judgment of the fair market valuation of the same, exclusive of commissions, fees, charges, taxes and other associated expenses”;

**WHEREAS**, Leon Gallery, an auction house with business address in Makati City, is holding an auction entitled “The Bibliophiles and Explores Auction: The Legendary Collection of Books, Maps and Prints of Don Benito J. Legarda” on November 18, 2023;

**WHEREAS**, the Director-General of the National Museum of the Philippines has identified one (1) lot included in the aforementioned public auction as being of particular interest to the Agency and has requested authorization from the Board of Trustees through its Chairperson in an electronic communication dated November 13, 2023, to participate in the auction in order to bid for the same and, keeping within a predetermined price ceiling to be established by the Board of Trustees, attempt to successfully acquire the same for its collections;

**WHEREAS**, the aforesaid one (1) lot is Lot No. 13, entitled “Sketchbook of Palawan”, and is described by the Director-General in his aforementioned communication with the Chairperson, after physical examination of the item and research, as:

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The item has a published starting price at Twenty Thousand Pesos (PHP20,000.00) but is expected to fetch a significantly higher price in the auction.

**WHEREAS**, the Board shall predetermine an appropriate price ceiling for the acquisition of the aforesaid lot based on its judgment of the fair market valuation of the same, exclusive of commissions, fees, charges, taxes and other associated expenses, and has duly taken note of the estimate of the Director-General as communicated to the Chairperson of the Board of a median value of Five Hundred Thousand Pesos, plus or minus Three Hundred Thousand Pesos (PHP500,000.00 ± PHP300,000.00), or a range from Two Hundred Thousand



Pesos to Eight Hundred Thousand Pesos (PHP200,000.00 – PHP800,000.00), the wide range being due, according to the Director-General, to a dearth of comparable data relative to similar items and uncertainty as to the extent of serious interest in the item in the market;

**NOW THEREFORE, BY ITS AUTHORITY UNDER THE NATIONAL MUSEUM ACT OF THE PHILIPPINES, AND OTHER PERTINENT LAWS AND ISSUANCES, BE IT RESOLVED, AS THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES HEREBY RESOLVES:**

1. Under Sections 22 and 23 of the National Museum Act of the Philippines (Republic Act No. 11333):

- a. To authorize the Director-General of the National Museum of the Philippines to participate in person at the auction entitled “The Bibliophiles and Explorers Auction: The Legendary Collection of Books, Maps and Prints of Don Benito J. Legarda”, a public auction to be held by Leon Gallery in Makati City, on November 18, 2023, beginning at two o’clock in the afternoon;
  - b. To authorize the Director-General to personally place bids in the aforesaid auction for the sole purpose of acquiring Lot No. 13, entitled “Sketchbook of Palawan”, which is a unique, special and original item appropriate for inclusion in the collections of the National Museum; and
  - c. To establish the appropriate price ceiling for the said Lot 13, at Eight Hundred Thousand Pesos (PHP800,000.00), based on the judgment of the Board of Trustees of the fair market valuation of the same, which is in concurrence with the estimate of the Director-General as being within the range of Two Hundred Thousand Pesos to Eight Hundred Thousand Pesos (PHP200,000.00 – PHP800,000.00), exclusive of commissions, fees, charges, taxes and other associated expenses; and
  - d. To allow the Director-General, in the event that Lot No. 13 is successfully sold to the National Museum of the Philippines at a bid price of Eight Hundred Thousand Pesos (PHP800,000.00) or less, to authorize the final total payable amount, as indicated in the invoice to be issued to the National Museum of the Philippines by Leon Gallery, which shall include the relevant commissions, fees, charges, taxes and other associated expenses in addition to the bid price for the item, to be charged to donated funds under the National Museum Donations Fund available for the purpose.
2. To direct the Director-General, in the course of undertaking this special procurement that is exempted by Sections 22 and 23 of the National Museum Act of the Philippines (Republic Act No. 11333) from the general laws, rules and regulations involving government procurement, to ensure total and faithful compliance by the National Museum of the Philippines with the requirements and procedures stipulated therein.

**ADOPTED,**



**ANDONI M. ABOITIZ**  
Chairperson



**JEREMY R. BARNS**  
National Museum of the Philippines  
Trustee Ex-Officio



**CARLO B. EBEO**  
Trustee

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**RENE PIO B. JAVELLANA, S.J**  
Trustee



**LOREN LEGARDA**  
Senate of the Philippines  
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**ROMAN T. ROMULO**  
House of Representatives  
Trustee Ex-Officio

**RESOLUTION NO. 4-2023 WAS ADOPTED AD REFERENDUM BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**ON** 17 **November**, 2023

*Marianathe Kay F. Misa*

**MARIANATHE KAY F. MISA**  
Secretary of the Board of Trustees

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Account Type: PESO ACCOUNT  
Account no.: 0003 2002 4611  
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**CERTIFICATION OF THE HEAD OF AGENCY RELATIVE TO A CERTAIN ITEM TO BE PROCURED BY THE NATIONAL MUSEUM OF THE PHILIPPINES FOR ITS COLLECTIONS FROM THE ESTATE OF**

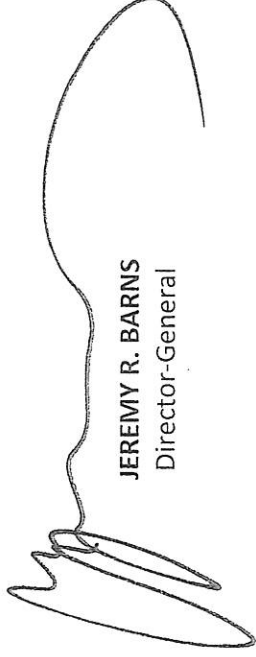
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I hereby certify that the following item, a Sketchbook containing 12 drawings of Southern Palawan, Tawi-Tawi, Jolo and Basilan, dated 1888, which was offered by Leon Gallery, an auction house with place of business at Makati City, at "The Bibliophiles and Explorers Auction: The Legendary Collection of Books, Maps and Prints of Don Benito J. Legarda" on November 18, 2023, more specifically listed and illustrated in the catalog attached hereto, to be acquired after successful participation in the said auction, is of appropriate significance to the National Museum of the Philippines and of importance to the heritage and patrimony of the Filipino people; that the total price pertaining to the said item, which is in the amount of **Four Hundred and Eight Thousand, Five Hundred and Forty-Four Pesos (PHP408,544.00)**, comprising the Winning Bid or Hammer Price of Three Hundred and Forty Thousand Pesos (PHP340,000), and Buyers Premium (that is, commissions and taxes) of Sixty-Eight Thousand Five Hundred and Forty-Four Pesos (PHP68,544.00), is reasonable and fair; that no conflicts of interest as may be defined by prevailing laws, rules and regulations, as well as the ethical standards of museum practice exist in relation to this procurement by the agency from the selling party; and that the items have not, to the knowledge of this agency, been illegally acquired or trafficked:

Lot	Title and Description	Reference Image	Price (PHP)
1	One (1) Sketchbook dated 1888	See attached catalog	340,000.00
		Buyers Premium	68,544.00
		<b>Total Price</b>	<b>408,544.00</b>

This Certification is issued in compliance with Section 22 of Republic Act No. 11333 that provides for the procurement of unique, special and/or original items by the National Museum of the Philippines for its collections by means of direct negotiation with the owners of such items, or their duly designated agents or representatives, in the Philippines and abroad.

Given this 1<sup>st</sup> day of December, 2023, in the City of Manila.



**JEREMY R. BARNES**  
Director-General



RESEARCH, COLLECTIONS AND CONSERVATION MANAGEMENT DIVISION

MEMORANDUM

**TO :** ALVIN CARL C. FORTES  
Chief Administrative Officer, Financial Services Division

**FROM :** ANNE ROSETTE G. CRELENCIA  
Chief Administrative Officer, RCCMD

**DATE :** 04 December 2023

**SUBJECT :** Request for Certificate of Availability of Funds (CAF) for the acquisition of One (1) Sketchbook dated 1888 from Leon Gallery in Makati City

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We would like to request your good office for the Certificate of Availability of Funds (CAF) necessary for the acquisition of One (1) Sketchbook dated 1888 from the public auction of "Bibliophiles and Explorers Auction: The Legendary Collection of Books, Maps and Prints of Don Benito J. Legarda." Attached herewith are the copies of NMP Letter of Intent, Invoice from Leon Gallery, Certification of the Head of Agency relative to a certain item to be procured by the National Museum of the Philippines for its collections from the estate of Dr. Benito J. Legarda through public auction, Endorsement of NMP Board Resolution No. 4-2023, all approved by Director-General Jeremy Barns for your reference.

For your kind consideration.

Thank you.

  
ANNE ROSETTE G. CRELENCIA  
Chief Administrative Officer



**PAMBANSANG MUSEO NG PILIPINAS**  
**NATIONAL MUSEUM OF THE PHILIPPINES**

**FINANCIAL SERVICES DIVISION**

Cert. No. 2023-12- 140

05 December 2023

**CERTIFICATION OF AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS**

This is to certify that the amount of **FOUR HUNDRED EIGHT THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED FORTY FOUR PESOS ONLY (Php408,544.00)** to cover payment for the "**Acquisition of one (1) Sketchbook containing 12 drawings of Southern Palawan, Tawi-tawi, Jolo and Basilan, dated 1888, with buyers premium**" is available and chargeable against the National Museum *Donation* Fund under Capital Outlay (CO)-Other Heritage Assets.

This certification is being issued upon the request of the Research, Collections and Conservation Management Division (RCCMD), as the implementing office/unit subject to usual budgeting, accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

  
**CLARIZA L. JUCAY**  
Head, Budget Section

Encl: as stated  
CC: NONE  
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