



## **DVISORY**

The Cooperative Development Authority (CDA) has recently promulgated the CDA Omnibus Rules of Procedure which took effect on December 17, 2022 following its fifteen-day publication with the Business World, a newspaper of general circulation, last December 02, 2022.

As embodied in the abovementioned Omnibus Rules, the remedies available are as follows:

- a. Conciliation-Mediation Proceeding (Rule II)
- b. Conduct of Dialogue (Rule III)
- c. Voluntary Arbitration (Rule IV)
- d. Investigation (Rule V)
- e. Adjudication (Rule VI)
- f. Administrative/Disciplinary Procedure (Rule VII)
- g. Dissolution, Cancellation, Liquidation (Rule VIII)

In this connection, please be advised that adjudication of cases in the exercise of the CDA's quasi-judicial power vested by Republic Act No. 11364 is now one of the remedies that may be availed of in the resolution of cases as provided under Rule VI of the said Rules. This in effect modifies the Articles of Cooperation and By-Laws of the cooperatives with respect to the exclusivity of the voluntary arbitration as an alternative mode of dispute resolution. Consequently, after a failure to amicably settle the dispute, the complainant may either file a complaint for voluntary arbitration OR for adjudication.

On this note, all concerned are likewise advised to properly observe the requirements in availing each of the enumerated remedy. A copy of the CDA Rules of Procedure is now available at CDA website http://www.cda.gov.ph.

Thank you.

Signed this 26th day of January 2023.

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