

The Commercial and Economic Case Division of the Supreme Court

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The establishment of specialized divisions within the Supreme Court, specifically, the Commercial and Economic Case Division, reflects a recognition of the unique challenges and nuances inherent in business-related disputes as the Supreme Court's rulings are inevitably crucial to the country's economic stability and commercial landscape.

The Commercial and Economic Case Division is, therefore, tasked with adjudicating civil cases involving disputes with commercial or economic nature; e.g., personal injury cases concerning insurance law, breach of contract cases between financial institutions and businesses, and cases concerning partnership and company law, financial and securities law, and other specialized laws and regulations within the same realm.

Thus, the division oversees these types of cases starting from the petition for writ of certiorari that the plaintiff and/or the defendant submitted to the Supreme Court in order to seek judicial review of the decision rendered by the Court of Appeal or the Court of Appeal, Region I to Region IX that falls within the division's scope above-mentioned.

After which, if the petition demonstrates compelling reasons in accordance with the Civil Procedure Code Section 249 and the Regulation of the President of the Supreme Court, and is successful in its petition, the division will grant a review in both questions of fact and questions of law raised on the "Dika" appeal.

The division, currently comprises 18 justices with the President of the Commercial and Economic Case Division at its head and Presiding Justices of the Supreme Court, Justices of the Supreme Court, and Senior Justices of the Supreme Court as its members, sits in a panel of three, of which the President of the Division

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chairs every panel, to confer and review the case and render judgment based on existing precedents where applicable or address newly emerging issues to provide new precedents for lower courts facing similar problems.

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