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PRESS RELEASE #111

Re: All Palau Published Cases Now Available Online

(It is our duty at the Judiciary to inform the people what we do. This Press Release is one way to achieve that responsibility.)

All cases that are contained in the Palau Reports, Volumes 1-22 are now available online at the Court's website: www.palausupremecourt.net

Slip opinions for the remaining unpublished cases of 2015, all cases to be published for 2016, and all cases to be published for 2017 to date, have also been posted online.

For cases to be published after 2015, the Court is completing a project to publish them in a "neutral citation" format, similar to the system now in place in Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Marianas, and a number of other jurisdictions. "Neutral citation" cases are cited by year, jurisdiction, case number, and with numbered paragraphs.

This format will eliminate the need for "slip opinions," because the citation can be assigned on the day the opinion is issued.

From time to time, noteworthy cases of the Trial Division, the Land Court, and the Court of Common Pleas will also be issued in the neutral citation format.

The projected date for completion of the adoption of the neutral citation format is this August.