REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES

## BUREAU OF FISHERIES

MANILA

FISHERIES ADMINISTRATIVE )

July 18, 1950

ORDER NO. 14-3

SUBJECT: Amending Section 13 of Fisheries Administrative Order No. 14.

- 1. Section 13 of Fisheries Administrative Order No. 14 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 13. Priority right of application. In determining the priority of application or right to a permit or lease, the following rules shall be observed:
- (a) When two or more applications are filed for the same area, which is unoccupied and unimproved, the first applicant shall have the right of preference thereto.
- (b) Between an applicant for and a bona fide occupant of an area available for fishpond purposes, the latter shall have the right of preference to the said area, in which case, the actual occupant, if qualified, should be advised by the Director of Fisheries to file a fishpond application within ninety (90) days from his receipt of a notice to that effect. If the occupant is not qualified under the law to apply for the land, or loses his right for failure or refusal to present his fishpond application within the time granted above, he shall be required to vacate the premises.
- (c) If two or more applications are filed for the same area at the same time, the applicant who can best meet the requirements of the fishery laws and regulations based on the availability of capital, shall have the right of preference thereto.
- (d) A holder of a fishpond application which has been rejected or cancelled by the Director of Fisheries by reason of the fact that the area covered thereby has been certified by the Director of Forestry as not available for fishpond purposes, shall not lose his right as a prior applicant therefor, if later on the area applied for is certified by the Director of Forestry as available for fishpond purposes, provided that not more than one (1) year has expired since the rejection or cancellation of his application, in which case, his fishpond application, which was rejected or cancelled before, shall be reinstated and given due course, and all other fishpond applications filed for the same area shall be rejected.

2. This Administrative Order shall take effect on August 1, 1950.

Director of Fisheries

APPROVED:

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