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ABSTRACT

This study was conducted to determine the feasibility of the provisions of Executive No. 2, otherwise known as the Freedom of Information Order of 2016. A content analysis was done based on the data and information obtained from legal publications, news reports, online sources, and related studies as well as from the provisions of the law itself. A qualitative methodology particularly a content analysis was conducted. The data gathered were correlated and synthesized to arrive at the conclusions, results and recommendations. No survey or sampling was employed. Results of the study revealed that with the enactment of Executive Order No. 2, otherwise known as the Freedom of Information Act of 2016 a freedom of information mechanism for the Executive Branch of the government came into realization. It promises to be a milestone in the clamor for a freedom of information law in the Philippines. However, the executive order poses limitations and apparent ambiguities after more than a year since its implementation. Thus, there remains a need for a more cohesive, well-delineated provisions of the law. Perhaps, a Freedom of Information Law passed by Congress which would encompass all branches of the government must be pursued to cover offices under the legislature and the judiciary as well as the Constitutional Commissions.