

I MINA'TRENTAI OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No.	Sponsor	Title	Date Intro	Date of Presentation	Date Adopted	Date Referred	Referred to	PUBLIC HEARING DATE	DATE AUTHORS REPORT FILED	NOTES
11-38 (COR)	Committee on Rules	Relative to authorizing the Legislative Counsel, or other retained counsel, to represent <i>I Mina'trentai Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan</i> in the Superior Court of Guam in <i>Thomas J. Fisher v. Joann G. Camacho, in her Official Capacity as the Executive Director of the 38th Guam Legislature</i> , Special Proceedings Case No. SP016-25.	1/31/25 3:55 p.m.		1/31/25 6:37 p.m.					

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2025 (FIRST) Regular Session

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Introduced by:

Committee on Rules

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1 **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF *I***
2 ***MINA'TRENTAI OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN*:**

3 **WHEREAS**, Petitioner, Thomas J. Fisher (“Petitioner”) filed an Alternative Writ
4 of Mandate in *Thomas J. Fisher v. Joann G. Camacho, in her Official Capacity as the*
5 *Executive Director of the 38th Guam Legislature*, Special Proceedings Case No. SP016-
6 25, on January 30, 2025. In his suit, Petitioner alleges Respondent, Joann G. Camacho,
7 in her Official Capacity (“Respondent”) did not timely respond to Petitioner’s request
8 for public records in violation of the Sunshine Act, Chapter 10, Title 5 Guam Code
9 Annotated; and

10 **WHEREAS**, on January 30, 2025, the Court issued an Alternative Writ of
11 Mandate directing Respondent to comply with Petitioner’s request for documents by
12 February 13, 2025, or in the alternative, appear before the Court on March 4, 2025, at
13 10:30am to show cause why Respondent need not comply nor a preemptory writ issue;
14 and

15 **WHEREAS**, the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'trentai Ocho na Liheslaturan*
16 *Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*, intend to respond to

1 Petitioner's Alternative Writ of Mandate in the instant litigation to assert *I Liheslaturan*
2 *Guåhan's* position relative to Petitioner's Freedom of Information Act request
3 therefore, be it

4 **RESOLVED**, that the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'trentai*
5 *Ocho na Liheslaturan Guåhan* is authorized to retain, on behalf of *I Liheslaturan*
6 *Guåhan*, such legal counsel as he may deem necessary and appropriate to represent the
7 interests of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* in the aforementioned litigation; and be it further

8 **RESOLVED**, that the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules of *I Mina'trentai*
9 *Ocho na Liheslaturan Guåhan* is authorized to negotiate a contract for legal services
10 for no more than Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) to be expended from *I Liheslaturan*
11 *Guåhan's* Central Operations Fund for legal fees and costs in this matter, and shall be
12 paid pursuant to submitted legal billings not to exceed a combined total of Ten
13 Thousand Dollars (\$10,000); and be it further

14 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules
15 certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of
16 the same be thereafter transmitted to all the members of *I Mina'trentai Ocho na*
17 *Liheslaturan Guåhan*; to Mrs. Joann G. Camacho, Executive Director of *I Liheslaturan*
18 *Guåhan*; and to Ms. Agnes Cruz, Chief Fiscal Officer of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF
I MINA'TRENTAI OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 31ST DAY
OF JANUARY 2025.**



Frank F. Blas Jr.
Speaker



V. Anthony Ada
Chairperson, Committee on Rules



Sabrina Salas Matanane
Legislative Secretary



COMMITTEE ON RULES

VICE SPEAKER V. ANTHONY ADA, CHAIRPERSON

I Mina'trentai Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan

38th Guam Legislature

COMMITTEE VOTE SHEET

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	INITIAL	DATE	TO ADOPT	TO NOT ADOPT	TO ABSTAIN
Vice Speaker V. Anthony Ada Chairperson		1/31/25	✓		
Senator Christopher M. Dueñas Vice Chairperson	E-VOTE	1/31/25	✓		
Speaker Frank F. Blas, Jr. Member	E-VOTE	1/31/25	✓		
Legislative Secretary Sabrina Salas Matanane Member	E-VOTE	1/31/25	✓		
Senator Vincent A.V. Borja Member	E-VOTE	1/31/25	✓		
Senator Shelly Calvo Member	E-VOTE	1/31/25	✓		
Senator Eulogio Shawn Gumataotao Member	E-VOTE	1/31/25	✓		
Senator Jesse Anderson Lujan Member	E-VOTE	1/31/25	✓		
Senator Telo Teresa Taitague Member	E-VOTE	1/31/25	✓		
Senator Tina Rose Muña Barnes Minority Member	E-VOTE	1/31/25	✓		
Senator Joe S. San Agustin Minority Member	E-VOTE	1/31/25	✓		
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Sponsor Signature:					
Staff Contact Person: Kamarin Nelson					
For COR/Clerk's Office Use Only					
<u>11</u> Certified _____ Returned					
Name: Marie Crisostomo					
Date: January 31, 2025 at 6:37 p.m.					
Notes:					