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ABSTRACT

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This study aimed to determine introduced the concept of the Barangay Justice System on how to handle disputes or conflict and to become fair and effective to the two parties. In effectiveness which means fulfilling a specified function in fact, though not formally acknowledged and in fairness means impartial and just treatment or behaviour without favouritism or discrimination.

The narrative method was used in this study. All of the officials from the Barangay Bancod, Barangay Poblacion III and Barangay Calumpang were asked and interviewed and served as participants of this study. The researchers used unstructured interviews to determine the roles and the experiences of the Barangay officials on the effectiveness and fairness in alternative dispute resolution..

The participants of the study were 6 barangay officials and 3 participants underwent in a dispute resolution.

The key to the success of the disputes was on both sides the tasks done by the barangay official and also the participation of both parties to settle the problems well, as shown by 7160 to guide the both parties to settle the issues effectively. Most of the file cases filed against barangay officials were settled during their annual performance, but some cases were not settled due to the seriousness of the case.

On the other hand the barangay officials said that they don't encountered any difficulty with regards to dispute resolution. The participants of the dispute resolution are also well-cooperated.

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INTRODUCTION

In this paper, the researchers introduced the concept of the Barangay Justice System on how to handle disputes or conflict and to become fair and effective to the two parties. In effectiveness which means fulfilling a specified function in fact, though not formally acknowledged and in fairness means impartial and just treatment or behavior without favouritism or discrimination. This research also showed new techniques on handling dispute case. This study would show new effective techniques on facing those new way of interaction with both parties in dispute.

According to Caingat and Mohammed (2017), The Barangay Justice System is neither a court of justice nor a judicial tribunal where cases are heard and decided before a judge or a jury. It is an administrative body at the barangay level where community members may reconcile their differences without resorting to judicial process, thus avoiding protracted and expensive settlement of disputes before the court. As a community based mechanism for dispute resolution, it covers disputes between members of the same community (generally, same city/municipality) and involves the Punong Barangay and other members of the communities (the Lupon members) as intermediaries (mediators, conciliators, and, sometimes, arbitrators). The establishment and operation of the Barangay Justice System is mandated by Republic Act No. 7160 or the Local Government Code of 1991. Prior to this law, however, the establishment of the Barangay Justice System had been covered by