

Executive Profile:

The Imelda Argel Story



Atty. Imelda Argel

A COLUMN like this would not be possibly do justice to describe Atty. Imelda Argel, Principal of the business consultancy Interlink Asia, and Solicitor with the law firm Imelda Argel & Associates, both based in Surrey Hills, Sydney.

Argel is a holder of

Master of Laws, University of Sydney, a Diploma in Practical Legal training, NSW College of Law, Accreditation with the NSW's Solicitors Admission Board, Bachelor of Laws from the University of the Philippines and Bachelor of Arts (Honours) at St Theresa's College, Philippines.

Additionally, Argel's professional accreditation includes Solicitor, NSW; Solicitor and Barrister, ACT as well as attorney-at-law in the Philippines and in New York State, USA.

"But to know the Imelda Argel story is to discover that she is not a quitter, nor perturbed by the prospect of hardship. In fact she quiet philo-

sophically muses over the obstacles she has faced and overcome where she is today," says Sydney magazine.

Business Sydney. Imelda worked as a sole legal practitioner through Imelda Argel & Associates with the bulk of her business on "cross-cultural orientations" for Australian industry involved in international trade and transactions. This involvement includes negotiation of joint venture commercial contracts and conveyancing, legal protection of foreign investments, and advice on corporate incentives in Asia, particularly the Philippines.

"I look at my legal practice as a way to pay the day-to-day bills, but I have got involved with a number

of start-ups that I am proud of, and I have found clientele in the immigration services area which I got into because of the demand from the ethnic communities," said Argel.

In 2000, Argel handled the immigration papers for a group of 18 Filipina nurses who sought and successfully gained training and work placements in Australian hospitals.

Seminars

In August last year, Argel travelled to the Philippines and conducted a series of seminars on Migration of Professionals And Skilled Workers to Australia and Practical Tips in Obtaining Temporary Working Visa to Australia.

Due to popular demand,

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Atty. Argel will speak once more in a number of seminars in the Philippines in August and in London in October this year. If you have relatives and friends who want to come to Australia, you may inquire further and consult Imelda Argel & Associates at their office on Suite 33, 61-89 Buckingham Street, Surrey Hills or phone (02) 9699 3072.-