

At the hearing scheduled by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) on 25 September 2017, Alliance for the Family Foundation Phils., Inc. (ALFI) invoked its constitutional right to due process by demanding that FDA follow strictly the standards and directives in the Supreme Court Decisions which have already become final and executory. ALFI thus reiterated its request to be furnished ALL of the following documents before any certification/re-certification process of any contraceptive drug or device could be started or continued by the FDA:

- a. Revised Implementing Rules and Regulations of the RH Law;
- b. Amended Rules of Procedure/Guidelines for the certification and re-certification of all contraceptive products;
- c. All the evidence and materials submitted by the applicants in support of their applications for certification/re-certification; and
- d. Schedule of hearings starting on dates not less than 15 days from receipt of all of the above.

ALFI also pointed out that the Certificate of Registration or Re-Certification is not a matter of right, but of privilege, so the onus is on the applicants to prove that they are meritorious, that is, that they are Non-Abortifacient and Safe, not on ALFI. The FDA agreed to supply ALFI with copies of the evidence submitted by the contraceptives' proponents. ALFI is hoping that the RH-IRRs and the rules of procedure are also forthcoming soon.