

## **“The Human Rights”**

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The commission shall be composed of a chairman and four members who must be natural-born citizens of the Philippines and a majority of whom shall be members of the bar. The term of office and their qualification and disabilities of the member of the commission shall be provided by law.

Until the commission is constituted, the existing presidential committee on human rights shall continue to exercise its present function and power

The approved annual appropriation of the commission shall be automatically and regularly released.

The commission on human rights shall have the following powers and function

1. Investigate, on its own or on complaint by any party, all forms of human rights violations involving civil and political rights;
2. adopt its operational guidelines and rules of procedure, and cite for contempt's for violations thereof in accordance with rules of court;
3. provide appropriate legal measures for the protection of human right of all persons within the Philippines, as well as Filipinas residing abroad, and provide for preventive measures and legal aid services to the underprivileged whose human rights have been violated or need protection.
4. exercise visitatorial power over jails, prisons, or detention facilities