

NEW CIVIL PROCEDURE CODE IS APPROVED*

The National Assembly approved on June 2th of this year the new Civil Procedure Code of Nicaragua, replacing the existing 109-year-old Code, which will enter into force one year after its publication in the Official Gazette.

The new Code comprises 829 articles which aim that the administration of justice be more expeditious, efficient and quick, through mixed (oral and written) proceedings in order to reduce the existing justice delay and improve the legal protection of citizens.

Some of the most important provisions of the New Civil Procedure Code are:

- It eliminates the written process for a more dynamic and oral process (only the demand, the reply of the demand and some incidental filing procedure will be in writing).
- It establishes Voluntary Processes that give Notaries the power to hear and judge on some processes such as legal or voluntary auctions, consignations, among others, without being brought before a judge.
- It incorporates the Payment Procedure that will allow a fast and simple collection of financial obligations without the presence of a lawyer or notary public.
- It simplifies the different processes and the executions of the same.
- Only three types of resources are regulated: Replacement, Appeal and Cassation.

For more information and legal advice on this matter, please contact us and we will provide you a detailed summary of the New Civil Procedure Code of Nicaragua.

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