

Atty. Irwin L. Peña is a proud product of public school education until he finished his undergraduate degree from the University of the Philippines in 2006 where he earned his degree in Political Science with minor units in English, Economics and International Relations. He graduated from San Beda University College of Law in 2012, and after passing the bar examination, started his career as a young lawyer working in the specialized law office of *De Borja Lamorena and Duano Law Office* handling family related cases. Hearing the call of public service, he transferred to the government and joined the Legal Affairs Department of National Food Authority starting as Attorney III. He was then after promoted to Attorney IV and assigned in the Litigation Department appearing in courts all over the country to prosecute cases for and against NFA. Together with some lawyers in the Legal Affairs Department of NFA, Atty. Peña secured favourable decisions for NFA including the Supreme Court landmark case of *Escarez vs Commission on Audit* involving the grant of Food and Grocery Incentives to NFA Employees. He also prosecuted the conviction for malversation of an employee of NFA, argued and won cases for exemption from Real Property Taxes in some provinces and land titling cases in favour of NFA.



Atty. Peña is likewise a proud member of the academe. He used to teach in the National College of Business and Arts handling Business Law subjects. At present, he is teaching the same subjects in the Our Lady of Fatima University.

Last June 2018, Atty. Peña was designated as the Acting Board Secretary V of the NFA Council concurrently with his position as Attorney IV of the Legal Affairs Department.