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Fr. Factora is an Associate Professor in the Faculty of Canon Law, UST, Manila. He serves as Associate Judge, Advocate, Defender of the Bond, and Promoter of Justice in various Archdioceses and Dioceses in the Philippines and in Guam.

As an Associate Professor, his specialization includes Legal Medicine, Local Legislations, Bioethics, Secular Institutes and Societies of Apostolic Life, The Teaching Office of the Church, Sacrament of Matrimony, Matrimonial Tribunal, Special Questions on Religious Life, and Procedures for the Removal and Transfer of Parish Priests.

Fr. Factora published several articles on Canon Law, Sacraments, Legal Medicine and Religious Life. He co-authored a book on how the Catholic faith is being expressed in different schools run by the FMA Sisters. He was invited to give talks and lectures, here and abroad, on Matrimonial Law and the different grounds on which a canonical marriage can be declared as null and void. The most notable of his lecture was his talk on *Mitis Iudex Dominus Iesus* given during the plenary meeting of the Catholic Bishops' Conference of the Philippines in 2017.

Fr. Factora serves as member of the Board of Trustees of the University of Santo Tomas and holds key positions in the University such as the Regent of the UST College of Nursing and the Chief Executive Officer of the University of Santo Tomas Hospital.