

## Jurisdiction of Philippine Courts Over Non-Resident Defendants

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This Article attempts to establish the reasonable limits of a Philippine court's jurisdiction over non-resident defendants, focusing particularly on *quasi in rem* and *in personam* jurisdiction over foreign corporations. The Author utilizes his expertise in American jurisprudence to make a sound comparison with the understanding of jurisdiction in Philippine courts. A particular examination is made at the *Facilities Management Corp. v. De la Osa* (89 SCRA 131 (1979)) case to point out that, while it is desirable to expand the jurisdiction of the courts, there is a boundary of reasonableness that should not be crossed. The Article concludes by suggesting that the court lay down new criteria which would immediately rectify the errors of the aforesaid decision.