

Strengthening Responses to Violence against Women: Overcoming Legal Challenges in the Anti-Violence against Women and their Children Act

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Three years after the enactment of Republic Act No. 9262 or the Anti-Violence against Women and their Children Act (VAWC), this Article evaluates the measures, responses, and compliance of Philippine institutions to said law. The survey of Anti-VAWC cases includes those handled by the Philippine National Police, the Family Courts, and cases handled by the Sentro ng Alternatibong Lingap Panligal (SALIGAN).

Three years after the enactment of the law, issues and challenges still remain in the areas of VAWC as a public offense and the protection order under the law as a remedy.