



Before entering the government service, Patrick Dagandan Mabbagu engaged in the private practice of law as an associate of Angeles Law Office where he handled mostly civil, labor, and criminal cases. He was also a faculty member in a local college in Mindanao where he taught constitutional law and courses in social and political sciences. He served as consultant to the former chairman of the PNOC-Development and Management Corporation and was part of the corps of lawyers that handled the legal requirements of the then ruling political party in the Philippines for a national midterm election.

He was recruited to join the National Power Corporation in 2013 as a corporate counsel and concurrently, as chief of staff of the Office of the President and CEO. In such capacity, he was accorded the privilege of seeing the operations of the corporation in both macro and micro levels. Having represented the chief executive in several engagements and corporate committees, he gained exposure on matters pertaining to corporate finance, management, and governance.

Concurrent to his position as one of the corporate attorneys under the Office of the Legal Counsel, the National Power Board designated him as Officer-in-Charge of the Office of the Corporate Secretary beginning 15 March 2017 until his formal election and appointment to the office in November 2017.

Atty. Mabbagu obtained his degrees in political science and law (juris doctor) as cum laude and class valedictorian. He also finished his master's degree in public affairs specializing in Strategic Planning and Public Policy from the University of the Philippines where he received an Academic Excellence Award. He was one of the recipients of the ADB-IUCN Law Development Award for Asia-Pacific Region in 2015 and is a member of the World Commission on Environmental Law (WCEL), the IUCN Commission on Environmental, Economic and Social Policy (CEESP), the Philippine Society of Public Administration (PSPA) and the Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society.

A Career Executive Service (CES) Eligible, Atty. Mabbagu has extensive trainings on executive leadership, having completed the Leadership and Management Proficiency Program (LAMP) of the Career Executive Service Board (CESB) and the Professional Directors Program (PDP) of the Institute of Corporate Directors (ICD). An accredited member of the KBP, he is a freelance columnist for The Mindanao Observer, the second oldest community newspaper in Mindanao and a contributing writer for the Time Out Mission International. He is also a covenant partner of the International Justice Mission (IJM).

Apart from collecting John Grisham and John Maxwell books, Atty. Mabbagu is interested in scriptural research, expository preaching, and apologetics. He takes delight in backyard farming and is a Philippine native tree enthusiast. Channeling his inner child, he remains up to this day a Pokémon fan. He is joyfully married to Glyna Jamila Acenas who works for the Department of Education as a grade school teacher.