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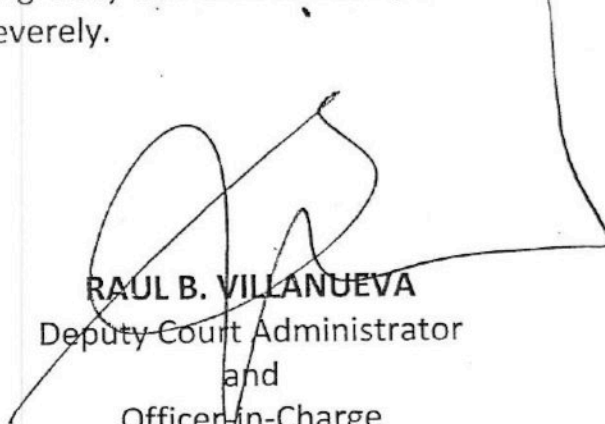
TO : THE COURT OF APPEALS, SANDIGANBAYAN, COURT OF TAX APPEALS, REGIONAL TRIAL COURTS, SHARI'A DISTRICT COURTS, METROPOLITAN TRIAL COURTS, MUNICIPAL TRIAL COURTS IN CITIES, MUNICIPAL TRIAL COURTS, MUNICIPAL CIRCUIT TRIAL COURTS, SHARI'A CIRCUIT COURTS, THE OFFICE OF THE CHIEF STATE PROSECUTOR, PUBLIC ATTORNEY'S OFFICE AND THE INTEGRATED BAR OF THE PHILIPPINES

SUBJECT: SUSPENSION FROM THE PRACTICE OF LAW FOR ONE (1) YEAR OF ATTY. BENIGNO C. VILLARENTE, JR.

For your information and guidance, quoted hereunder is the pertinent portion of the Resolution of the Second Division dated 25 September 2013, in Administrative Case No. 10017, entitled "**Catherine Viacrusis Villarente v. Atty. Benigno C. Villarente, Jr.,**" to wit:

Accordingly, the Court **SUSPENDS** respondent Atty. Benigno C. Villarente for one (1) year from the practice of law, with a stern warning that should evidence surface that his alleged conduct be proven to be grossly immoral conduct, the matter will be dealt with more severely.

7 February 2014


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