

Republic of the Philippines Supreme Court Office of the Court Administrator Manila

OCA CIRCULAR NO. <u>48-2014</u>

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 TWO (2) YEARS OF ATTY. ERLINDA ESPEJO

For your information and guidance, quoted hereunder is the dispositive portion of the Decision of the of the Supreme Court *En Banc* dated 03 December 2013 in Administrative Case No. 10050, entitled **"Victoria C. Heenan v. Atty. Erlinda Espejo,"** to wit:

WHEREFORE, we find Atty. Erlinda B. Espejo GUILTY of gross misconduct and of violating Canons 1, 7 and 11 of the Code of Professional Responsibility. We SUSPEND respondent from the practice of law for two (2) years, effective immediately.

1 April 2014

AS P. MARQUEZ

Court Administrator

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