



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

OCA CIRCULAR NO. 18-2008

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. RENATO L.
GONZALES AND PERMANENTLY BARRED
FROM BEING COMMISSIONED AS NOTARY
PUBLIC

For your information and guidance, quoted hereunder is the dispositive portion of the Decision of the First Division dated August 23, 2007, in Administrative Case No. 6634 entitled, "**Tan Tiong Bio a.k.a. Henry Tan vs. Atty. Renato L. Gonzales**", to wit:

"**WHEREFORE**, respondent Atty. Renato L. Gonzales is **PERMANENTLY BARRED** from being commissioned as Notary Public. He is furthermore **SUSPENDED** from the practice of law for a period of two (2) years, effective upon receipt of a copy of this Decision."

Copy of the decision was received by respondent on September 6, 2007 per Registry Return Receipt No. 22273. Respondent's Motion for Reconsideration was DENIED with FINALITY in a resolution dated December 10, 2007.

February 01, 2008.


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Court Administrator