



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

OCA CIRCULAR NO. 52-2008

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 SIX (6) MONTHS OF ATTY. ARTEMIO F.
BUSTAMANTE AND REVOCATION HIS
NOTARIAL COMMISSION AND
DISQUALIFICATION FROM REAPPOINTMENT
AS NOTARY PUBLIC FOR ONE (1) YEAR.

For your information and guidance, quoted hereunder is the dispositive portion of the Decision of the Third Division dated December 20, 2007, in Administrative Case No. 5510 entitled, "**Sajid D. Agagon vs. Atty. Artemio F. Bustamante**", to wit:

"**WHEREFORE**, respondent Atty. Artemio F. Bustamante is **GUILTY** of violating the Notarial Law, the 2004 Rule on Notarial Practice and the Code of Professional Responsibility. His notarial commission, if still existing, is hereby **REVOKED**, and he is **DISQUALIFIED** from reappointment as Notary Public for a period of one (1) year. He is likewise, **SUSPENDED** from the practice of law for six (6) months effective immediately. He is **DIRECTED** to report the date of his receipt of this Decision to enable this Court to determine when his suspension shall take effect."

Respondent received the order of suspension on 9 January 2008 as stated in his Compliance, dated 10, January 2008.

June 5, 2008.


ZENAIDA N. ELEPANO
Court Administrator