



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

OCA CIRCULAR NO. 55-2013

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. RICHARD V. FUNK

For your information and guidance, quoted hereunder is the portion of the Decision of the Third Division dated 15 August 2012, in Administrative Case No. 9094, entitled "**Santos Ventura Hocorma Foundation, Inc., represented by Gabriel H. Abad vs. Atty. Richard V. Funk,**" to wit:

"**WHEREFORE**, the Court **AFFIRMS** the resolution of the Board of Governors of the Integrated Bar of the Philippines dated April 15, 2010 and June 26, 2011 and **SUSPENDS** Atty. Richard Funk from the practice of law for one year effective immediately. Serve copies of this decision upon the Office of the Court Administrator for dissemination, the Integrated Bar of the Philippines, and Office of the Bar Confidant so the latter may attach its copy to his record."

In a Resolution dated 22 October 2012, the Court **DENIED with FINALITY** the respondent's motion for reconsideration thereof as no substantial matters were raised to warrant its consideration. In a Resolution dated 25 February 2013, the Court further **DENIED** for lack of merit the respondent's second motion for reconsideration and ruled that **no further pleadings or motions shall be entertained**.

22 April 2013


JOSE MIDAS P. MARQUEZ
Court Administrator