



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

OCA CIRCULAR NO. 79-2009

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

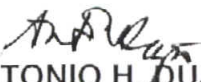
SUBJECT: DISBARMENT OF ATTY. LEONIDO C.
DELANTE

For your information and guidance, quoted hereunder is the dispositive portion of the Decision of the Court *En Banc* dated February 6, 2009, in Administrative Case No. 7181, entitled "**Maria Angalan vs. Atty. Leonido C. Delante**", to wit:

"**WHEREFORE**, the Courts finds Atty. Leonido C. Delante **GUILTY** of violating Canons 16 and 17 of the Code of Professional Responsibility. Accordingly, the Court **DISBARS** him from the practice of law and **ORDERS** that his name be stricken from the Roll of Attorneys."

Pursuant to the Resolution of the Court *En Banc* dated 28 April 2009, acting on the Motion for Reconsideration dated March 5, 2009 of the *Per Curiam* Decision of February 6, 2009, filed by the respondent, the Court Resolved to **DENY WITH FINALITY** the said motion for reconsideration, there being no substantial matters raised to warrant the reversal of the questioned decision.

June 30, 2009.


ANTONIO H. DUJUA
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