



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

OCA CIRCULAR NO. 163-2006

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. MANILEÑO
N. APIAG

In the decision of the First Division of this Court dated September 30, 2005, in Administrative Case No. 5760 entitled, "*The Heirs of Tiburcio F. Ballesteros, Sr., namely Elsie B. Aromin, Dolores D. Ballesteros, Tiburcio B. Ballesteros, Jr., and Fe Ballesteros-Yabut, and the Rural Bank of Pagadian, Inc. represented by Julian B. Ballesteros in his capacity as Administrator of the Estate and President/Manager of the Bank vs. Atty. Manileño N. Apiag*" respondent Atty. Manileño N. Apiag was suspended from the practice of law for six (6) months, effective upon finality of decision.

The respondent's Motion for Reconsideration was denied in the resolution dated January 30, 2006 which he received on March 6, 2006.

November 27, 2006.


CHRISTOPHER O. LOCK
Court Administrator