



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

**OCA CIRCULAR NO. 116-2010**

**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. JAMES  
BENEDICT FLORIDO

For your information and guidance, quoted hereunder is the dispositive portion of the Decision of the Second Division dated 18 June 2010, in Administrative Case No. 5736, entitled "**Rural Bank of Calape, Inc. (RCBCI) Bohol vs. Atty. James Benedict Florido**", to wit:

"**WHEREFORE**, we find respondent Atty. James Benedict Florido **GUILTY** of violating Canon 19 and Rules 1.02 and 15.07 of the Code of Professional Responsibility. Accordingly, we **SUSPEND** respondent from the practice of law for one year effective upon finality of this Decision"

Respondent failed to file motion for reconsideration despite receipt of the resolution on 08 June 2010, per Registry Return Receipt No. 53908.

August 25, 2010.

  
**JOSE MIDAS P. MARQUEZ**  
Court Administrator