

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

OCA CIRCULAR NO. 31-2015

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 NINE (9) MONTHS OF ATTY. ROGELIO M. WATIN, SR.

For your information and guidance, quoted hereunder is the dispositive portion of the Resolution of the Second Division dated 17 June 2013 in Administrative Case No. 6111, entitled "Dr. Manuel T. Ang vs. Atty. Rogelio M. Watin, Sr.," to wit:

The Court RESOLVES to APPROVE and AFFIRM the findings of fact, conclusions of law, and recommendations of Investigating Commissioner Atty. Ceasar R. Dulay in the attached Report dated 12 October 2012 (Annex "A") as approved with modification by the IBP in its Notice of Resolution No. XVI-2004-478 dated 4 November 2004 (Annex "B"). Accordingly, the Court **SUSPENDS** respondent Atty. Rogelio M. Watin, Sr. from the practice of law for six (6) months, effective upon receipt of this resolution.

Further, the Court, in its Resolution dated 26 February 2014 **DENIED** the respondent's motion for reconsideration and motion to allow him to continue to practice law pending resolution of his motion for reconsideration. Subsequently, in its Resolution dated 11 August 2014 the Court resolved to "**SUSPEND FURTHER** Atty. Rogelio M. Watin, Sr. from the practice of law for three (3) months. He shall serve a total of **nine (9) months** of suspension from the practice of law effective upon receipt of the resolution of [the] Court."

February 17, 2015

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