



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

OCA CIRCULAR NO. 43-2016

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. TRISTAN A. CATINDIG

For your information and guidance, quoted hereunder is the dispositive portion of the Decision of the Supreme Court *En Banc* dated 10 March 2015 in Administrative Case No. 5816, "**Dr. Elmar O. Perez vs. Atty. Tristan A. Catindig and Atty. Karen E. Baydo,**" to wit:

WHEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing disquisitions, the Court resolves to **ADOPT** the recommendations of the Commission on Bar Discipline of the Integrated Bar of the Philippines. Atty. Tristan A. Catindig is found **GUILTY** of gross immorality and of violating the Lawyer's Oath and Rule 1.01, Canon 7 and Rule 7.03 of the Code of Professional responsibility and is hereby **DISBARRED** from the practice of law.

Let a copy of this Decision be entered into the records of Atty. Tristan A. Catindig in the Office of the Bar Confidant and his name is **ORDERED STRICKEN** from the Roll of Attorneys. Likewise, copies of this Decision shall be furnished to the Integrated Bar of the Philippines and circulated by the Court Administrator to all appellate and trial courts.

The charge of gross immorality against Atty. Karen E. Baydo is hereby **DISMISSED** for lack of evidence.

This Decision takes effect immediately.

10 February 2016


JOSE MIDAS P. MARQUEZ
Court Administrator

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