

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

OCA CIRCULAR NO. 04-2017

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 OF ATTY. SEBASTIAN C. BADONGEN FROM

THE PRACTICE OF LAW FOR SIX (6) MONTHS

For your information and guidance, quoted hereunder is the Resolution dated 5 October 2016 of the First Division in Administrative Case No. 9480, entitled "Flora Yacdo v. Atty. Sebastian C. Badongen," to wit:

The Court resolves to **NOTE** the report and recommendation dated January 12, 2016 of the Office of the Bar Confidant in compliance with the Resolution dated April 20, 2015 which referred the instant case thereto for appropriate action, it appearing that no petition for review was filed by the respondent.

The Court further resolves to *ADOPT* and *APPROVE* the recommendation of the Integrated Bar of the Philippines' Board of Governors in its Notice of Resolution No. XIX-2011-510 dated June 27, 2011 (Annex A). Accordingly, respondent Atty. Sebastian C. Badongen is *SUSPENDED* from the practice of law for six (6) months, effective from notice hereof, for violation of Rule 1.01, Canon 1 of the Code of Professional Responsibility *WITH WARNING* that a repetition of the same or any similar misconduct will be dealt with more severely.

Respondent received the resolution on 7 November 2016.

<u>11</u> January 2017

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