



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

OCA CIRCULAR NO. 277-2016

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. FREDDIE A. VENIDA

For your information and guidance, quoted hereunder is the Decision dated 23 August 2016 of the Court *En Banc* in Administrative Case No. 11317, entitled "**Ethelene W. San Juan v. Atty. Freddie A. Venida**," to wit:

WHEREFORE, respondent Atty. Freddie A. Venida is found **GUILTY** of violating Canons 16, 17, and 18, and Rules 1.01, 16.01, 18.03 and 18.04 of the Code of Professional Responsibility. Accordingly, he is hereby **DISBARRED** from the practice of law and his name is **ORDERED** stricken off from the Roll of Attorneys, effective immediately.

Atty. Venida is ordered to refund the amount of ₱29,000 to complainant Ethelene W. San Juan within thirty (30) days from notice. Otherwise, he may be held in contempt of court.

Respondent received the decision on 11 October 2016.

20 December 2016


JOSE MIDAS P. MARQUEZ
Court Administrator