

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

OCA CIRCULAR NO. 76-2017

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. SOCRATES R. RIVERA FROM THE PRACTICE OF LAW FOR THREE (3) YEARS

For your information and guidance, quoted hereunder is the Resolution dated 9 August 2016 of the Court *En Banc* in Administrative Case No. 11350, entitled "Adegoke R. Plumptre v. Atty. Socrates R. Rivera," to wit:

WHEREFORE, respondent Atty. Socrates R. Rivera is SUSPENDED from the practice of law for three (3) years. He is ORDERED to return to complainant Adegoke R. Plumptre the amount of \$\text{P28,000.00}\$ with interest at 6% per annum from the date of promulgation of this Resolution until fully paid. He is likewise DIRECTED to submit to this Court proof of payment of the amount within 10 days from payment.

29 March 2017

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Court Administrator

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