



Republic of the Philippines
Supreme Court
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Manila

OCA CIRCULAR NO. 114-2017

TO : THE COURT OF APPEALS, SANDIGANBAYAN,
COURT OF TAX APPEALS, REGIONAL TRIAL
COURTS, SHARIA DISTRICT COURTS,
METROPOLITAN TRIAL COURTS, MUNICIPAL
TRIAL COURTS IN CITIES, MUNICIPAL TRIAL
COURTS, MUNICIPAL CIRCUIT TRIAL
COURTS, SHARIA CIRCUIT COURTS, THE
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF STATE PROSECUTOR,
PUBLIC ATTORNEY'S OFFICE AND THE
INTEGRATED BAR OF THE PHILIPPINES

SUBJECT: SUSPENSION OF ATTY. LEVI P. MUÑOZ FROM
THE PRACTICE OF LAW FOR THREE (3) YEARS

For your information and guidance, quoted hereunder is the Decision dated 24 January 2017 of the Court *En Banc* in Administrative Case No. 5582 entitled "Arthur O. Monares v. Atty. Levi P. Muñoz, Administrative Case No. 5604 entitled "Albay Electric Cooperative, Inc. v. Atty. Levi P. Muñoz, and Administrative Case No. 5652 entitled "Benjilieh M. Constante v. Atty. Levi P. Muñoz," to wit:

WHEREFORE, Atty. Levi P. Muñoz is found GUILTY of gross misconduct and violation of Rules 1.01, 6.02, 15.01 and 15.03 of the Code of Professional Responsibility. He is hereby SUSPENDED from the practice of law for a period of three (3) years effective upon receipt of this Decision, with a STERN WARNING that a repetition of any violation hereunder shall be dealt with more severely

Respondent received a copy of the aforesaid Decision on 28 May 2017, as stated in the motion to withdraw on grounds of the 3-year suspension from the practice of law, which he filed in Sp. Civil Action No. T-2747 entitled, "Sps. Celedonio, et al. v. Lorenzo Gonzales, et al., before the RTC, Branch 17, Tabaco City, Albay.

8 June 2017


JOSE MIDAS P. MARQUEZ
Court Administrator