

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

## OCA CIRCULAR NO. 14-2018

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, OFFICE OF THE CHIEF STATE PROSECUTOR, PUBLIC ATTORNEY'S **OFFICE** AND INTEGRATED BAR OF THE PHILIPPINES

SUBJECT:

SUSPENSION OF ATTY. DIONILO B. MANTOS FROM THE PRACTICE OF LAW FOR ONE (1) YEAR

For your information and guidance, quoted hereunder is the Resolution dated 8 March 2017 of the Second Division in Administrative Case No. 10137, entitled "Cynthia O'Keefe-Helms v. Atty. Dionilo B. Mantos," to wit:

WHEREFORE, the undated Motion for this Court to furnish respondent with an official copy of Resolution No. XX-2013-497 of the Integrated Bar of the Philippines Board of Governors is DENIED for utter lack of merit.

The Motion for Reconsideration dated July 5, 2016 is likewise DENIED for lack merit.

Respondent ATTY. DIONILO B. MANTOS is SUSPENDED from the practice of law for one (1) year. He is likewise WARNED that a repetition of similar acts shall be dealt with more severely.

The respondent, upon receipt of this Resolution, shall immediately serve his suspension. He shall formally manifest to this Court that his suspension has started, and copy furnish all courts and quasi-judicial bodies where he has entered his appearance, within five (5) days upon receipt of this Resolution. Respondent shall also

serve copies of his manifestation on all adverse parties in all the cases he entered his formal appearance.

As per Registry Return Receipt No. 4833, respondent received a copy of the aforesaid Resolution on 18 May 2017.

29 January 2018

OSE MIDAS P. MARQUEZ
Court Administrator

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