

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

## OCA CIRCULAR NO. 81-2018

TO

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

SUBJECT:

SUSPENSION OF ATTY. STEVENSON CONLUFROM THE PRACTICE OF LAW FOR SIX (6) MONTHS AND REVOCATION OF HIS NOTARIAL COMMISSION AND DISQUALIFICATION FROM REAPPOINTMENT AS NOTARY PUBLIC FOR TWO (2) YEARS

For your information and guidance, quoted hereunder is the Resolution dated 19 June 2017 of the Third Division in Administrative Case No. 8575, entitled "National Bureau of Investigation v. Atty. Stevenson Conlu," to wit:

WHEREFORE, premises considered, respondent Atty. STEVENSON CONLU is found GUILTY of negligence in performing his duties as a notary public and of breach of the 2004 Rules on Notarial Practice. His notarial commission, if still existing, is hereby REVOKED, and he is DISQUALIFIED from being commissioned as notary public for a period of two (2) years. He is also SUSPENDED from the practice of law for six (6) months effective immediately, with a WARNING that the repetition of a similar violation will be dealt with even more severely. He is DIRECTED to report the date of his receipt of this Decision to enable this Court to determine when his suspension shall take effect.

In a Resolution dated 7 February 2018, the Court DENIED with FINALITY the respondent's motion for reconsideration as no substantial arguments were raised to warrant its reconsideration. Per

Registry Return Receipt No. 22366, respondent received a copy of the Resolution dated 19 June 2017 on 13 September 2017.

27 April 2018

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Court Administrator

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