

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

OCA CIRCULAR NO. <u>105-201</u>8

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. OBDULIO GUY D. VILLAHERMOSA III FROM THE PRACTICE OF LAW FOR SIX (6) MONTHS

For your information and guidance, quoted hereunder is the Resolution dated 2 October 2017 of the Second Division in Administrative Case No. 10243, entitled "Myrna Ojales v. Atty. Obdulio Guy D. Villahermosa III," to wit:

WHEREFORE, premises considered, the Court finds respondent Atty. Obdulio Guy Villahermosa III GUILTY of violating Canon 16, Canon 18 and Rule 18.03 of the Code of Professional Responsibility. Hence, respondent is SUSPENDED from the practice of law for SIX (6) MONTHS, which shall take effect immediately upon receipt of this Resolution by the respondent, and he is STERNLY WARNED that a repetition of the same or a similar offense shall be dealt with more severely. Respondent is also DIRECTED to return to the complainant Myrna Ojales the amount of Twenty-One Thousand Two Hundred Eighty Pesos (\$\mathbb{P}21,280.00), with interest at the legal rate of six percent (6%) per annum, from the date of receipt of this Resolution until fully paid.

Upon receipt of this Resolution, respondent is DIRECTED to immediately file a Manifestation informing this Court that his suspension has started and to furnish a copy of the Manifestation to all courts and quasi-judicial bodies where he has entered his appearance as counsel.

29 May 2018

JOSE MIDAS P. MARQUEZ Court Administrator

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