



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

OCA CIRCULAR NO. 190-2018

**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. ATTY. RAYMUND P. GUZMAN FROM 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 2 July 2018 of the Second Division in Administrative Case No. 12062, entitled "Heirs of Herminigildo A. Unite, represented by his sole heir, Florentino S. Unite v. Atty. Raymund P. Guzman," to wit:

WHEREFORE, the Court hereby finds respondent Atty. Raymund P. Guzman GUILTY of violation of the 2004 Rules on Notarial Practice and of the Code of Professional Responsibility. Accordingly, the Court hereby: **SUSPENDS** him from the practice of law for a period of six (6) months; **REVOKES** his incumbent commission as a notary public, if any; and **PROHIBITS** him from being commissioned as a notary public for a period of two (2) years. He is **WARNED** that a repetition of the same offense or similar acts in the future shall be dealt with more severely.

The suspension in the practice of law, revocation of notarial commission, and disqualification from being commissioned as a notary public shall take effect immediately upon receipt of this Resolution by respondent. He is **DIRECTED** to immediately file a


Manifestation to the Court that his suspension has started, copy furnished all courts and quasi-judicial bodies where he has entered his appearance as counsel.

Let copies of this Resolution be furnished the Office of the Bar Confidant to be appended to respondent's personal record as an attorney, the Integrated Bar of the Philippines for its information and guidance, and the Office of the Court Administrator for circulation to all courts in the country.

As per LBC Express, Inc. Receipt No. 1266 7449 6198, the aforesaid Resolution was delivered to respondent at Guzman Law Office, No. 38 Gonzaga St., Tuguegarao, Cagayan on 9 August 2018.

7 September 2018

  
JOSE MIDAS P. MARQUEZ  
Court Administrator

  
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