

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

OCA CIRCULAR NO. 217-2018

TO

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

SUBJECT:

LIFTING OF SUSPENSION FROM THE PRACTICE OF LAW OF ATTY. TERESITA C, MARBIBI

For your information and guidance, quoted hereunder is the Resolution dated 19 September 2018 of the Third Division in Administrative Case No. 9857, entitled "Josie S. Ramos v. Atty. Teresita C. Marbibi," to wit:

The Court resolves to:

(1) NOTE and GRANT respondent's Manifestation with Urgent Motion dated 20 August 2018 stating that she has already complied with all the requirements for the lifting of her suspension and prays that she be allowed to resume her practice of law; and

(2) NOTE:

(a) The Agenda Report that the copy of the Resolution dated February 21, 2018 which, among others, imposed upon respondent an additional penalty of fine in the amount of P10,000.00 for failure to obey a lawful order of the Court and for failure to immediately serve her suspension,

and required her to file a sworn statement that she has fully served the period of suspension, addressed and sent complainant, was returned unserved with postal carrier's "RTS notation Insufficient Address" on the envelope; and

(b) The Office of the Bar Confidant's (OBC) Report and Recommendation dated July 16, 2018.

Acting on the OBC's Report and Recommendation dated July 16, 2018 on respondent's Compliance with Motion to Lift Suspension of July 3, 2018, stating that respondent has paid the fine imposed in the Resolution dated February 21, 2018 in the amount of P10,000.00 under O.R. No. 0211747 dated July 25, 2018; and that respondent has tendered Certifications from the different courts of Metro Manila, Quezon City, Marikina City, Antipolo City, Valenzuela City, Tacloban City, and Leyte, and from the Integrated Bar of the Philippines (IBP) Manila IV Chapter, all affirming that she had ceased and desisted from the practice of law and had not appeared in court as counsel during the entire period of her suspension; and considering that based on documents and records herein submitted, respondent has already fully served the order of her suspension from the practice of law, the Court, upon the recommendation of the OBC, further resolves to LIFT the order of suspension from the practice of law imposed in the Resolution of June 18, 2014, which affirmed the IBP Notice of Resolution dated May 15, 2011 suspending respondent from the practice of law for six (6) months and ALLOW her to RESUME her practice of law.

Case is considered CLOSED and TERMINATED.

19 October 2018

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Court Administrator

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