

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

OCA CIRCULAR NO. 53-2019

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 MUNICIPAL **CIRCUIT** TRIAL COURTS, COURTS, SHARI'A CIRCUIT COURTS, THE OFFICE OF THE CHIEF STATE PROSECUTOR, ATTORNEY'S **OFFICE** AND **PUBLIC** INTEGRATED BAR OF THE PHILIPPINES

SUBJECT: DISBARMENT OF ATTY. ZENAIDA P. REYES

For your information and guidance, quoted hereunder is the dispositive portion of the Decision dated 15 November 2011 of the Court *En Banc* in Administrative Case No. 6246, entitled "Marites E. Freeman vs. Atty. Zenaida P. Reyes," to wit:

WHEREFORE, respondent Atty. Zenaida P. Reyes is found guilty of gross misconduct and DISBARRED from the practice of law. Let her name be stricken off the Roll of Attorneys. This Decision is immediately executory.

Let all the courts, through the Office of the Court Administrator, Integrated Bar of the Philippines, and the Office of the Bar Confidant, be notified of this Decision and be it duly recorded in the personal file of the respondent.

Respondent is ORDERED to turn over to complainant Marites E. Freeman the proceeds of the insurance policies remitted to her by Lincoln Financial Group, in the amount of £10,489.57, and Eagle Star Life Assurance Company Limited, £471.06, or in the total amount of £10,960.63, which is approximately equivalent to $$\mathbb{P}700,000.00$, pursuant to the prevailing exchange rate at the time of the subject transaction.

In a Resolution dated 27 November 2012, the Court DENIED the respondent's motion for reconsideration. In a Resolution dated 9

July 2013, the Court DENIED WITH FINALITY the urgent motion there being no substantial matter raised to warrant the withdrawal of the writs.

<u>3</u> April 2019

RAUL BAUTISTA VILLANUEVA

Deputy Court Administrator

and

Officer-in-Charge

Office of the Court Administrator (Per SC Office Order No. 07-2019 dated 29 March 2019)

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