

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

## OCA CIRCULAR NO. 124-2019

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

**SUBJECT:** 

SUSPENSION OF ATTY. NOEL S. FERRER FROM THE PRACTICE OF LAW FOR SIX (6) MONTHS

For your information and guidance, quoted hereunder is the dispositive portion of the Resolution dated 5 June 2018 of the Court *En Banc* in Administrative Case No. 11664, entitled "Maria Theresa E. Imperial, Complainant, v. Atty. Noel S. Ferrer, Respondent." to wit:

WHEREFORE, the Court AFFIRMS Resolution No. XXI-2015-265 promulgated on April 18, 2015 by the Board of Directors of the Integrated Bar of the Philippines finding and holding respondent Atty. Noel S. Ferrer guilty of violating Canon 1 and Canon 7 of the Code of Professional Responsibility subject to the modification that he is SUSPENDED from the practice of law only for a period of six (6) months.

Let a copy of this resolution be furnished and properly recorded in the Office of the Bar Confidant, and appended to the personal record of Atty. Noel S. Ferrer; the Integrated Bar of the Philippines; and the Office of the Court Administrator, for circulation to all courts in the country for their information.

The Reply (to complainant's comment on the Petition for Review) dated March 5, 2018 filed by counsel for respondent is NOTED.

In a Resolution dated 16 October 2018, the Court *En Banc* **DENIED** with FINALITY the respondent's motion for

reconsideration, there being no substantial matters raised to warrant the reversal of the questioned Resolution dated 5 June 2018. Per Registry Return Receipt No. 121412, respondent, thru counsel, received a copy of the Resolution dated 16 October 2018 denying with finality his motion for reconsideration on 20 November 2018.

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