

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

## OCA CIRCULAR NO. 22-2020

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 THE INTEGRATED BAR OF THE PHILIPPINES

SUBJECT: DISBARMENT OF ATTY. JORGE C. SACDALAN

For your information and guidance, quoted hereunder is the dispositive portion of the Decision dated 26 March 2019 of the Court *En Banc* in Administrative Case No. 12475, entitled "Rosalie P. Domingo vs. Atty. Jorge C. Sacdalan," to wit:

WHEREFORE, Atty. Jorge C. Sacdalan is GUILTY of violating Rules 1.01, 16.04, and 18.04 of the Code of Professional Responsibility. He is hereby DISBARRED from the practice of law and his name stricken off the Roll of Attorneys, effective immediately.

Further, Atty. Jorge C. Sacdalan is hereby ORDERED to return to complainant Rosalie P. Domingo the amount of \$\mathbb{P}\$50,000.00, as legal deposit to cover the expenses related to the expected litigation, and \$\mathbb{P}\$100,000.00, as cash advance chargeable against his appearance fees and other fees, with interest of 6% per annum reckoned from the date of the receipt of this Decision until full payment.

Atty. Jorge C. Sacdalan is also hereby meted a FINE in the amount \$\mathbb{P}\$5,000.00 for disobedience to the orders of the Integrated Bar of the Philippines – Commission on Bar Discipline. These payments shall be made within ten (10) days from the receipt of this Decision.

Let a copy of this Decision be furnished to the Office of the Bar Confidant to be entered into Atty. Jorge

C. Sacdalan's records. Copies shall likewise be furnished to the Integrated Bar of the Philippines and the Office of the Court Administrator for circulation to all courts concerned.

<u>28</u> January 2020

JOSE MIDAS P. MARQUEZ
Court Administrator

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