

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

OCA CIRCULAR NO. 28-2020

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

SUBJECT :

SUSPENSION OF ATTY. LORENZO G. GADON FROM THE PRACTICE OF LAW FOR THREE (3) MONTHS

For your information and guidance, quoted hereunder is the dispositive portion of the Resolution dated 26 June 2019 of the Second Division in Administrative Case No. 11810, entitled "Helen Joselina H. Mendoza vs. Atty. Lorenzo G. Gadon," to wit:

WHEREFORE, finding the recommendation of the IBP Board of Governors to be fully supported by the evidence on record and applicable laws, the Court RESOLVES to SUSPEND Atty. Lorenzo G. Gadon from the practice of law for a period of three (3) months, to commence immediately upon receipt of this Resolution, for violation of Canon 1, Canon 8 and Rule 8.01 of the Code of Professional Responsibility, with STERN WARNING that a repetition of the same or similar act in the future shall be dealt with more severely.

Atty. Gadon is DIRECTED to report the date of his receipt of this Resolution within five (5) days from notice, to enable this Court to determine when his suspension shall take effect.

Let copies of this Resolution be furnished the Integrated Bar of the Philippines and the Office of the Court [Administrator] which shall circulate the same in all courts in the country, and attach to the personal records of Atty. Lorenzo G. Gadon in the Office of the Bar Confidant.

In a Letter dated 24 October 2019, herein respondent informed the Court that he learned of the Resolution of the Court in the above mentioned Administrative Case while he was abroad when some members of the media sought for his comments on the three (3) months suspension imposed against him. Likewise, he informed the Court that he will comply with the said suspension order starting on 24 October 2019 up to 25 January 2020.

29 January 2020

JOSE MIDAS P. MARQUEZ
Court Administrator

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