

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

OCA CIRCULAR NO. 40-2020

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, OFFICE OF THE CHIEF STATE PROSECUTOR, **PUBLIC** ATTORNEY'S **OFFICE** AND THE INTEGRATED BAR OF THE PHILIPPINES

SUBJECT:

SUSPENSION OF ATTY. GLORIA LASTIMOSA-DALAWAMPU FROM THE PRACTICE OF LAW FOR ONE (1) YEAR

For your information and guidance, quoted hereunder is the dispositive portion of the Resolution dated 19 June 2019 of the Second Division in Administrative Case No. 11153, entitled "Atty. Elsa D. Wilson vs. Atty. Gloria Lastimosa-Dalawampu," to wit:

WHEREFORE, the Court hereby ADOPTS and APPROVES with MODIFICATION the Resolution dated January 31, 2015 rendered by the Board of Governors of the Integrated Bar of the Philippines in CBD Case No. 00-759, finding Atty. Gloria Lastimosa-Dalawampu GUILTY of violation of Canon 15, Rules 15.01 and 15.03 of the Code of Professional Responsibility. She is hereby SUSPENDED from the practice of law for ONE (1) YEAR effective immediately upon the date of her receipt of this Resolution, with a STERN WARNING that a repetition of the same or any similar act shall be dealt with more severely.

Atty. Lastimosa-Dalawampu is hereby DIRECTED to immediately file a Manifestation to the Court that her suspension has commenced, copy furnished to all courts and quasi-judicial bodies where she has entered her appearance as counsel.

Let copies of this Resolution be furnished to: (a) the Office of the Court Administrator for dissemination to all courts throughout the country for their information and guidance; (b) the Integrated Bar of the Philippines; and (c) the Office of the Bar Confidant to be appended to Atty. Lastimosa-Dalawampu's personal record as a member of the Bar.

Per Registry Receipt No. 61843, respondent received a copy of the said Resolution at her given address at Room 206 & 305 Menchavez Bldg., Escario Blvd., Cebu City, on 13 August 2019.

<u>31</u> January 2020

JOSE MIDAS P. MARQUEZ
Court Administrator

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