

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

## OCA CIRCULAR NO. 84-2020

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:

DISBARMENT OF ATTY. RENATO B. PAGATPATAN

For your information and guidance, quoted hereunder is the dispositive portion of the Resolution dated 02 April 2019 of the Court *En Banc* in A.C. No. 12457, entitled "Rev. Fr. Jose P. Zafra III vs. Atty. Renato B. Pagatpatan," to wit:

WHEREFORE, premises considered, respondent Attorney Renato B. Pagatpatan is:

- 1) GUILTY of SIMPLE MISCONDUCT and FINED ₱5,000.00 for his unethical behaviour in writing a letter to the Bishop of the Diocese of Tandag, Surigao Del Sur against complainant Reverend Father Jose P. Zafra III; and
- 2) DISBARRED from the practice of law effective immediately upon receipt of this Resolution.

Let a copy of this Resolution be entered in the personal records of respondent as a member of the Bar, and copies be furnished to the Office of the Bar Confidant, the Integrated Bar of the Philippines, and the Office of the Court Administrator for circulation to all courts in the country.

06 March 2020

Deputy Court Administrator

Officer-in-Charge

Office of the Court Administrator (Per Office Order No. 04-2020 dated 26 February 2020)

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