



Republic of the Philippines
Supreme Court
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Manila

OCA CIRCULAR NO. 100-2007

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 FROM THE PRACTICE OF LAW
FOR ONE (1) MONTH OF ATTY. EDGARDO S.
ARIAS

For your information and guidance, quoted hereunder is the dispositive portion of the decision of the Third Division dated April 13, 2007, in Administrative Case No. 1666 entitled, "**Luisito Balatbat vs. Atty. Edgardo Arias y Sanchez**", to wit:

"CONSIDERING THE FOREGOING, for violation of the Code of Professional Responsibility, respondent Atty. Edgardo Arias y Sanchez is **SUSPENDED** from the practice of law for One (1) month. He is **STERNLY WARNED** that a repetition of the same or similar act in the future shall be dealt with more severely. He is likewise **DIRECTED** to report the date of his receipt of this Decision to enable the Court to determine when his suspension shall have taken effect."

Copy of the decision was received by a certain Tony Obusa on May 18, 2007 per Registry Return Receipt No. 43011 and respondent did not file any motion for reconsideration.

October 11, 2007.


CHRISTOPHER O. LOCK
Court Administrator