



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

OCA CIRCULAR NO. 133-2015

**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 TWO (2) YEARS OF ATTY. MERCEDES BUHAYANG-MARGALLO

For your information and guidance, quoted hereunder is the dispositive portion of the Resolution of the Supreme Court *En Banc* dated 03 February 2015 in Administrative Case No. 10537 entitled "**Reynaldo G. Ramirez vs. Atty. Mercedes Buhayang-Margallo**" to wit:

**WHEREFORE**, the Petition for Review is **DENIED**. The Recommendations and Resolution of the Board of Governors of the Integrated Bar of the Philippines dated March 21, 2014 is **ACCEPTED, ADOPTED AND AFFIRMED**. Atty. Mercedes Buhayang-Margallo is hereby **SUSPENDED** from the practice of law for two (2) years, with a stern warning that a repetition of the same or similar acts shall be dealt with more severely. This decision is immediately executory.

As shown in the Registry Return Receipt, the respondent received on 13 March 2015 the said Resolution.

30 June 2015

  
**JOSE MIDAS P. MARQUEZ**  
Court Administrator