



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

OCA CIRCULAR NO. 200-2015

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 ONE (1) YEAR AND DISQUALIFICATION FROM BEING COMMISSIONED AS A NOTARY PUBLIC FOR TWO (2) YEARS OF ATTY. PEDRO A. SURDILLA, JR.

For your information and guidance, quoted hereunder is the dispositive portion of the Resolution of the Third Division dated 12 November 2014 in Administrative Case No. 10119, entitled "(Re: Order dated August 29, 2013 of Hon. Genoveva C. Maramba, Exec. Judge, RTC Dagupan City)" to wit:

IN VIEW OF THE FOREGOING, the Court finds Atty. Pedro A. Surdilla, Jr. **GUILTY** of engaging in notarial practice without a notarial commission and of violating En Banc Resolution dated April 1, 2003. Accordingly, the Court **SUSPENDS** Atty. Surdilla, Jr. from the practice of law for one (1) year and **DISQUALIFIES** him from being commissioned as a notary public for two (2) years. The Court hereby warns Atty. Surdilla, Jr. that a repetition of the same or similar act in the future shall merit a more severe sanction.

In a Resolution dated 22 June 2015, the Court further **DENIED with FINALITY** respondent's undated appeal for clemency as no substantial matters were raised to warrant its reconsideration.

27 August 2015


JOSE MIDAS P. MARQUEZ
Court Administrator