



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

OCA CIRCULAR NO. 127-2017

TO : THE COURT OF APPEALS, SANDIGANBAYAN, COURT OF TAX APPEALS, REGIONAL TRIAL COURTS, SHARIA DISTRICT COURTS, METROPOLITAN TRIAL COURTS, MUNICIPAL TRIAL COURTS IN CITIES, MUNICIPAL TRIAL COURTS, MUNICIPAL CIRCUIT TRIAL COURTS, SHARIA CIRCUIT COURTS, THE OFFICE OF THE CHIEF STATE PROSECUTOR, PUBLIC ATTORNEY'S OFFICE AND THE INTEGRATED BAR OF THE PHILIPPINES

SUBJECT: LIFTING OF SUSPENSION FROM THE PRACTICE OF LAW OF ATTY. ROLINDO A. NAVARRO

For your information and guidance, quoted hereunder is the Resolution dated 17 April 2017 of the Third Division in Administrative Case No. 7094, entitled "Alfredo C. Raffina, Jr. v. Atty. Rolindo A. Navarro," to wit:

The Court resolves to NOTE:

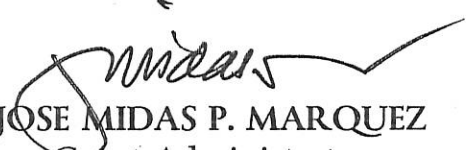
- (1) the letter dated September 29, 2016 of Presiding Judge James Stewart Ramon E. Himalalooan of the Regional Trial Court, Branch 62, Oslob, Cebu, addressed to the Hon. Jose Midas P. Marquez, Court Administrator, this Court, requesting an official statement relative to the appearance of respondent in his court;
- (2) respondent's Second Manifestation and Compliance dated August 25, 2016 stating that complainant is not interested to be paid the amount which this Court directed him to return due to the fact that (a) as early as the filing of his Omnibus Motion he had already manifested to the Court that he had already deposited to the court the amount of ₱3,000.00 as evidenced by Consignation Letter of January 30, 2015 under O.R. No. 5282969B for the account of complainant in view of the latter's refusal to claim the said amount as early as July 3, 2013 despite notice; and (b) he tried remitting the subject amount through the current legal counsel of complainant in other cases, Atty. Mark Elton Garrote, but the latter responded that his client did not give


instruction to receive the tendered money, and praying that the directives in the Resolutions dated December 10, 2014 and February 15, 2016 be considered as having been complied with; and

- (3) respondent's Manifestation and Compliance dated January 25, 2017, with the Resolution of November 21, 2016, submitting postal money orders in the total amount of ₱5,000.00 in payment of the fines imposed in the Resolution dated July 27, 2016 and informing the Court that in a last-ditch effort to comply with the directives of the Court, he sent to complainant the total amount of ₱3,360.00 (including 6% interest) through postal money orders.

Acting on said respondent's Manifestation and Compliance of January 25, 2017, the Court, upon the recommendation of the Office of the Bar Confidant, further resolves to LIFT the order of suspension of respondent Atty. Rolindo A. Navarro from the practice of law, and ALLOW him to RESUME his practice of law.

27 June 2017


JOSE MIDAS P. MARQUEZ
Court Administrator


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