



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

OCA CIRCULAR NO. 249-2018

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: SUSPENSION OF ATTY. RAMON Y. GARGANTOS, SR. FROM THE PRACTICE OF LAW FOR SIX (6) MONTHS

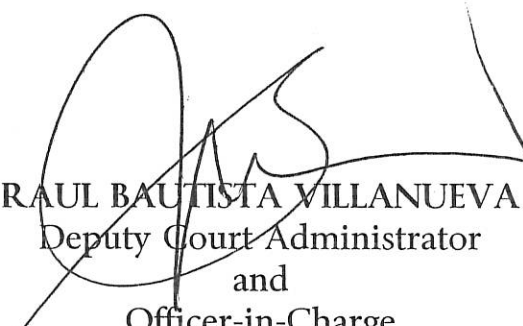
For your information and guidance, quoted hereunder is the Decision dated 27 June 2018 of the Second Division in Administrative Case No. 11326, entitled "Pelagio Vicencio Sorongon, Jr. vs. Atty. Ramon Y. Gargantos, Sr.," to wit:

WHEREFORE, respondent Atty. Ramon Y. Gargantos, Sr., is hereby **SUSPENDED** from the practice of law for six (6) months effective immediately upon receipt of this Decision and warned that a repetition of the same or similar acts will be dealt with more severely. Respondent Atty. Gargantos, Sr. is ordered to **RETURN** to complainant Pelagio Vicencio Sorongon, Jr. the amount of Two Hundred Thousand Pesos (₱200,000.00) within ninety (90) days from the receipt of this Decision, including the documents in respondent's possession which pertain to the case of the complainant. Failure to comply with the foregoing directive will warrant the imposition of a more severe penalty.

Let copies of this Decision be furnished the Office of the Bar Confidant, to be appended to respondent's personal record as attorney. Further, let copies of this Decision be furnished the Integrated Bar of the Philippines and the Office of the Court Administrator, which is directed to circulate them to all courts in the country for their information and guidance.

As per tracking No. 1267 8701 0618 of the LBC, respondent, thru authorized agent Rose Bisablo, received on 1 October 2018 a copy of the aforesaid Decision.

28 November 2018



RAUL BAUTISTA VILLANUEVA
Deputy Court Administrator
and
Officer-in-Charge
Office of the Court Administrator
*(Per Office Order No. 13-2018 dated
23 November 2018)*

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