

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

## OCA CIRCULAR NO. 115-2020

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** SHARI'A CIRCUIT COURTS, THE COURTS. OFFICE OF THE CHIEF STATE PROSECUTOR, PUBLIC ATTORNEY'S **OFFICE** AND THE INTEGRATED BAR OF THE PHILIPPINES

SUBJECT:

SUSPENSION OF ATTY. ROLANDO S. JAVIER FROM THE PRACTICE OF LAW FOR ONE (1) YEAR

For your information and guidance, quoted hereunder is the dispositive portion of the Decision dated 12 March 2018 of the Court (Second Division) in A.C. No. 10244, titled "Remigio P. Segovia, Jr., Francisco Rizabal, Pablito Rizabal, Marcial Rizabal Romines, Pelagio Rizabal Aryap and Renato Rizabal vs. Atty. Rolando S. Javier," to wit:

WHEREFORE, the Court finds respondent Atty. Rolando S. Javier GUILTY of violation of the Code of Professional Responsibility. Accordingly, the Court SUSPENDS him from the practice of law for one (1) year effective immediately upon receipt of this Decision. He is STERNLY WARNED that a repetition of the same or similar acts in the future shall be dealt with more severely. He is ORDERED to RETURN to complainants the amount of ₱30,000.00 with interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) *per annum* from September 10, 2007 until June 30, 2013, then six percent (6%) interest *per annum* from July 1, 2013 until fully paid. Respondent shall submit to the Court proof of restitution within ten (10) days from payment.

Let all the courts, through the Office of the Court Administrator, as well as the IBP and the Office of the Bar Confidant, be notified of this Decision and be it entered into respondent's personal record.

<u>10</u> July 2020

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