



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

OCA CIRCULAR NO. 143-2020

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 ATTYS. RENATO M.
CERVANTES AND TEODORO B.
DELARMENTE FROM THE PRACTICE OF
LAW FOR SIX (6) MONTHS

For your information and guidance, quoted hereunder is the dispositive portion of the Decision dated 09 November 2016 of the Court (Third Division) in A.C. No. 11059, titled "Jose Antonio F. Balingit vs. Atty. Renato M. Cervantes and Atty. Teodoro B. Delarmente," to wit:


WHEREFORE, Atty. Teodoro B. Delarmente and Atty. Renato M. Cervantes are hereby **SUSPENDED** from the practice of law for six (6) months. Both are **STERNLY WARNED** that a repetition of the same or similar acts shall be dealt with more severely. They are also **DIRECTED** to return to complainant the amount of ₱45,000.00. Finally, respondents are **DIRECTED** to report to this Court the date of their receipt of this Decision to enable this Court to determine when their suspension shall take effect.

Let copies of this Decision be attached to respondents' personal records with the Office of the Bar Confidant and copies be furnished to all

chapters of the Integrated Bar of the Philippines and
to all courts of the land.

24 August 2020


JOSE MIDAS P. MARQUEZ
Court Administrator

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