

OCA CIRCULAR NO. 150-2020

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

SUBJECT

: LIFTING OF SUSPENSION FROM THE PRACTICE OF LAW OF ATTY. RANDY B. BLANZA

For your information and guidance, quoted hereunder is the Resolution dated 10 June 2020 of the Court (Third Division) in A.C. No. 12080, titled "Dominador R. Delima and Rogelio Delima vs. Atty. Randy B. Blanza," to wit:

The Court resolves to NOTE respondent's Motion to Lift Order of Suspension from Practice of Law dated November 20, 2019, praying that an order be issued reinstating him in the practice of law since he had already strictly complied with his penalty and submitting to the Court his sworn statement as well as certifications issued by executive judges where he handled cases that he did not appear as counsel on their respective courts during the period of his suspension until present.

Acting on the Report and Recommendation dated January 10, 2019 of the Office of the Bar Confidant (OBC), considering that respondent during the duration of the suspension from October 23, 2018 until October 23, 2019, had completely desisted from any form of practice of law and ceased all his notarial functions and similar activities that constitutes law practice and submitting certifications from the lower courts of Legazpi City, Tabaco City, Malilipot, Sto.

Domingo and Manito, Albay, and IBP Albay Chapter, all affirming that respondent has not appeared in any of these courts from October 23, 2018 to October 23, 2019, the Court, upon the recommendation of the OBC, further resolves to LIFT the order of suspension from the practice of law imposed against respondent Atty. Randy B. Blanza and ALLOW him to RESUME his law practice. However, the order of his disqualification from being commissioned as notary public shall REMAIN EFFECTIVE.

The said report and recommendation of the OBC is NOTED.

<u>14</u> September 2020

JOSE MIDAS P. MARQUEZ

Court Administrator

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