



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

OCA CIRCULAR NO. 156-2020

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

SUBJECT: SUSPENSION OF ATTY. AMADO L. CANTOS FROM THE PRACTICE OF LAW FOR ONE (1) YEAR, REVOCATION OF HIS NOTARIAL COMMISSION, AND DISQUALIFICATION FROM REAPPOINTMENT AS NOTARY PUBLIC FOR TWO (2) YEARS

For your information and guidance, quoted hereunder is the dispositive portion of the Resolution dated 09 October 2019 of the Court (Second Division) in A.C. No. 10535, titled "Zenaida E. Silver vs. Atty. Amado L. Cantos," to wit:

WHEREFORE, Atty. Amado L. Cantos is found GUILTY of violating the 2004 Rules on Notarial Practice. He is SUSPENDED from the practice of law for one (1) year with stern warning that a repetition of a similar offense shall be dealt with more severely. His commission as notary public, if any, is REVOKED and he is PROHIBITED from being commissioned as a notary public for two (2) years effective immediately.

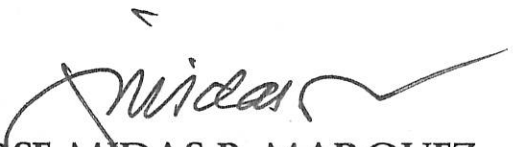
Let a copy of this Resolution be attached to the respondent's personal record in the Office of the Bar Confidant.

Furnish a copy of this Resolution to the Integrated Bar of the Philippines for its information and guidance;

and the Office of the Court Administrator for dissemination to all courts of the Philippines.

In a Resolution dated 10 February 2020, acting on respondent's Motion for Reconsideration, the Court DENIED the motion with FINALITY for lack of substantial merit.

16 September 2020


JOSE MIDAS P. MARQUEZ
Court Administrator

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