



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

OCA CIRCULAR NO. 175-2020

- 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 ATTY. RUBEN M. ILAGAN FROM THE PRACTICE OF LAW FOR TWO (2) YEARS AND REVOCATION OF HIS NOTARIAL COMMISSION AND DISQUALIFICATION FROM BEING COMMISSIONED AS NOTARY PUBLIC FOR TWO (2) YEARS**

For your information and guidance, quoted hereunder is the dispositive portion of the Decision dated 17 September 2019 of the Court *En Banc* in A.C. No. 12154, titled "Atty. Rogelio N. Velarde vs. Atty. Ruben M. Ilagan," to wit:

WHEREFORE, premises considered, Atty. Ruben M. Ilagan is GUILTY of violating the Code of Professional Responsibility and the 2004 Rules on Notarial Commission. Accordingly, SUSPENSION from the practice of law for a period of two (2) years effective upon the finality of this Decision, REVOCATION of his notarial commission, and DISQUALIFICATION from being commissioned as Notary Public for a period of two (2) years is hereby imposed upon him.


He is likewise STERNLY WARNED that commission of a similar infraction will be dealt with more severely.

Let copies of this Decision be furnished the Office of the Bar Confidant, to be appended to Atty. Ruben M. Ilagan's personal record. 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.

A copy of the Decision dated 17 September 2019 was sent to respondent at his given address at Capt. Pepe Subdivision, Cabanatuan City, 3100 Nueva Ecija, per Registry Receipt No. 168, which was received on 14 February 2020.

26 October 2020


JOSE MIDAS P. MARQUEZ
Court Administrator