



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

**OCA CIRCULAR NO. 177-2020**

**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. LAURO G. NOEL AND ATTY. VICTORIA G. NOEL FROM THE PRACTICE OF LAW FOR ONE (1) YEAR**

For your information and guidance, quoted hereunder is the dispositive portion of the Resolution dated 15 July 2019 of the Court (Third Division) in A.C. No. 10528, titled "Robert Y. So vs. Attys. Lauro G. Noel and Victoria G. Noel," to wit:


WHEREFORE, respondents Atty. Lauro G. Noel and Atty. Victoria G. Noel are GUILTY of inexcusable negligence, misleading their client, misusing court processes, and wilful disobedience of lawful orders of the court. Accordingly, they are ordered SUSPENDED from the practice of law for a period of one (1) year effective upon receipt of a copy of this Resolution. They are WARNED that a repetition of this offense or a similar violation shall be dealt with more severely.

Respondents, upon receipt of this Resolution, shall immediately serve their suspension. They shall formally manifest to this Court that their suspension has started, and copy furnish all courts and quasi-judicial bodies where they have entered their appearance, within five (5) days upon receipt of this Resolution. Respondents shall also serve copies of their manifestation on all adverse parties in all the cases they entered their formal appearance.


Let copies of this Resolution be furnished to the Office of the Bar Confidant to be appended to respondents' personal records as attorneys. Likewise, copies shall be furnished to the

Integrated Bar of the Philippines and all courts in the country  
for their information and guidance.

26 October 2020



JOSE MIDAS P. MARQUEZ  
Court Administrator



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