

## Republic of the Philippines Supreme Court Office of the Court Administrator Alanila

## OCA CIRCULAR NO. <u>191-2020</u>

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 CHIEF STATE PROSECUTOR, PUBLIC ATTORNEY'S OFFICE AND THE INTEGRATED BAR OF THE PHILIPPINES

SUBJECT:

SUSPENSION OF ATTY. BENJAMIN T. ETULLE FROM THE PRACTICE OF LAW FOR SIX (6) MONTHS AND 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 14 January 2019 of the Court (Third Division) in A.C. No. 12007, titled "Carlo G. Cruz vs. Atty. Benjamin T. Etulle," to wit:

WHEREFORE, Atty. Benjamin T. Etulle is ordered SUSPENDED from the practice of law for six (6) months. His notarial commission is ordered IMMEDIATELY REVOKED, if presently commissioned. Further, he is DISQUALIFIED from being commissioned as a notary public for two (2) years.

In a Resolution dated 26 August 2020, the Court (Third Division) DENIED WITH FINALITY the respondent's Motion for Reconsideration there being no substantial matters to warrant the reversal of the questioned Resolution dated 14 January 2019.

2 December 2020

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