



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

OCA CIRCULAR NO. 158-2021

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

SUBJECT : SUSPENSION OF ATTY. BERTENI C. CAUSING FROM THE PRACTICE OF LAW FOR ONE (1) YEAR

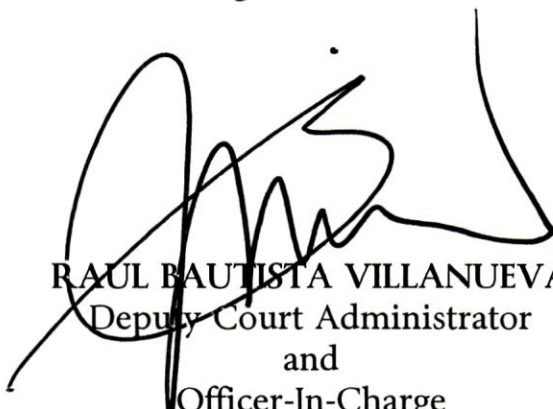
For your information and guidance, quoted hereunder is the dispositive portion of the Decision dated 2 March 2021 of the Court *En Banc* in A.C. No. 12883, titled "**Enrico R. Velasco vs. Atty. Berteni C. Causing**," to wit:

WHEREFORE, the Court finds respondent Atty. Berteni C. Causing **GUILTY** of violating Canon 1, Rule 8.01, Canon 13, Rule 13.02, Canon 19, and Rule 19.01 of the Code of Professional Responsibility. He is hereby **SUSPENDED** from the practice of law for a period of one (1) year, effective upon his receipt of this Decision, and is **STERNLY WARNED** that a repetition of the same or similar acts will be dealt with more severely.

The suspension in the practice of law shall take immediately upon receipt of this Decision by respondent Atty. Berteni C. Causing. He is **DIRECTED** to immediately file a Manifestation to the Court that his suspension has started, copy furnished all courts and quasi-judicial bodies where he has entered his appearance as counsel.

Let copies of this Decision be furnished to the Office of the Bar Confidant to be appended to respondent Atty. Berteni C. Causing's personal record, and the Office of the Court Administrator and the Integrated Bar of the Philippines for their information and guidance.

21 December 2021



RAUL BAUTISTA VILLANUEVA
Deputy Court Administrator
and
Officer-In-Charge
Office of the Court Administrator
*(Per Memorandum Order No. 108-2021
Dated 17 November 2021)*

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