

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

OCA CIRCULAR NO. 40-2023

TO

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

SUBJECT: SUSPENSION OF ATTY. NONNATUS P. CHUA FROM THE PRACTICE OF LAW FOR ONE (1) YEAR

For your information and guidance, quoted hereunder is the dispositive portion of the Resolution dated 17 June 2019 of the Court (First Division) in A.C. No. 9634, titled "In Re: Resolution dated May 23, 2012 in CA-G.R. SP No. 112175, etc. vs. Atty. Nonnatus P. Chua," to wit:

WHEREFORE, Atty. Nonnatus P. Chua is found GUILTY of violating Canon 11, Rule 11.05 of Canon 11, and Rule 13.02 of Canon 13 of the Code of Professional Responsibility. He is thus SUSPENDED from the practice of law for one (1) year from the issuance of this resolution, with stern warning that a repetition of the same or similar acts will warrant a more severe penalty.

Let the courts, through the Office of the Court Administrator, as well as the IBP and the Office of the Bar Confidant, be notified of this Resolution and be it entered into respondent's personal record.

The respondent is DIRECTED to report the date of his receipt of this Decision to enable us to determine when his suspension shall take effect.

In a Resolution dated 06 October 2021, the Court (Special First Division) DENIED WITH FINALITY the respondent's Motion for Reconsideration there being no substantial matter raised therein to

warrant a modification of the questioned Resolution dated 17 June 2019.

<u>31</u> January 2023

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