



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

**OCA CIRCULAR NO. 62-2023**

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

**SUBJECT : SUSPENSION OF ATTY. FRANCISCO G. RIVERO FROM THE PRACTICE OF LAW FOR SIX (6) MONTHS**

For your information and guidance, quoted hereunder is the dispositive portion of the Resolution dated 12 February 2020 of the Court (First Division) in A.C. No. 2999, titled "**Federico A. Raz vs. Atty. Francisco G. Rivero**," to wit:

**WHEREFORE**, the Court hereby finds respondent Atty. Francisco G. Rivero **GUILTY** of violating the lawyer's oath and the Code of Professional Responsibility. Accordingly, the Court hereby **SUSPENDS** him from the practice of law for six (6) months effective immediately. He is further **WARNED** that a repetition of the same offense or similar act shall be dealt with more severely. He is **DIRECTED** to report to this Court the date of his receipt of this Resolution to enable it to determine when his suspension from the practice of law shall take effect.

Let copies of this Resolution be furnished to the Office of the Bar Confidant, to be appended to respondent's personal record as an attorney. Likewise, copies shall be furnished to the Integrated Bar of the Philippines for its information and guidance, and the Office of the Court Administrator for circulation to all courts in the country.

14 February 2023

  
**RAUL B. VILLANUEVA**  
Court Administrator