

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

OCA CIRCULAR NO. <u>68-2023</u>

- TO : THE COURT OF APPEALS, SANDIGANBAYAN, COURT OF TAX APPEALS, REGIONAL TRIAL DISTRICT COURTS, SHARľA 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. ISRAELI S. TABELL FROM THE PRACTICE OF LAW FOR ONE (1) YEAR 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 September 2021 of the Court (First Division) in A.C. No. 10719, titled "Pamela Fuentes-Pitts vs. Atty. Israeli S. Tabell," to wit:

WHEREFORE, the Court finds Atty. Israeli S. Tabell GUILTY of:

- (a) violating Rule 1.01, Canon 1 of the Code of Professional Responsibility and the 2004 Rules on Notarial Practice. Accordingly, the Court SUSPENDS him from the practice of law for a period of one (1) year; IMMEDIATELY REVOKES his incumbent notarial commission, if any; and DISQUALIFIES him from being commissioned as Notary Public for a period of two (2) years; and
- (b) violating Section 3, Rule 7 of the Rules of Court, and Rule 10.01, Canon 10 of the Code of Professional Responsibility for which he is hereby REPRIMANDED.

He is further **STERNLY WARNED** that commission of similar infractions will be dealt with more severely.

Let copies of this Resolution be furnished the Office of the Bar Confidant, to be appended to Atty. Israeli S. Tabell's personal record; the Integrated Bar of the Philippines; and the Office of the Court Administrator which is directed to circulate the same **t**o all courts in the country for their information and guidance.

20 February 2023

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