



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

OCA CIRCULAR NO. 77-2023

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

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

For your information and guidance, quoted hereunder is the dispositive portion of the Resolution dated 08 October 2018 of the Court (First Division) in A.C. No. 8634, titled "Conrad D. Wenham vs. Atty. Luisito C. Arma," to wit:


WHEREFORE, premises considered, Atty. Luisito C. Arma is found **GUILTY** of violating CANON 17, CANON 18, and Rule 18.03 of the Code of Professional Responsibility; and Section 27, Rule 138 of the Rules of Court. Accordingly, Atty. Arma is hereby **SUSPENDED** from the practice of law for one (1) year, with a **STERN WARNING** that another infraction will merit a more severe penalty. Atty. Arma is also **ORDERED** to return to Conrad D. Wenham the amount of Twenty Thousand Pesos (₱20,000), with interest at six percent (6%) *per annum* from the date of finality of this Resolution until fully paid.

Let copies of this Resolution be entered in the personal records of respondent as a member of the Philippine Bar and furnished the Office of the Bar Confidant, the Integrated Bar of the Philippines, and the Court Administrator for circulation to all courts in the country.

In a Resolution dated 28 August 2019, acting on respondent's motion for reconsideration of the Resolution dated 08 October 2018, the Court resolves to **NOTE** the same and **DENY** the motion

with **FINALITY**, as no substantial argument to warrant a modification of this Court's resolution.

20 February 2023



RAUL B. VILLANUEVA
Court Administrator

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