

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

OCA CIRCULAR NO. <u>126-2023</u>

TO : THE COURT OF APPEALS. SANDIGANBAYAN, COURT OF TAX APPEALS. REGIONAL TRIAL COURTS. **SHARI'A** DISTRICT 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. TERESITA D. RULLODA FROM THE PRACTICE OF LAW FOR ONE (1) YEAR

For your information and guidance, quoted hereunder is the dispositive portion of the Resolution dated 11 November 2020 of the Court (Third Division) in A.C. No. 11678, titled "Jesus Piaje, Jr. and Jesus Piaje, Sr. vs. Atty. Teresita D. Rulloda," to wit:

WHEREFORE, respondent Atty. Teresita D. Rulloda is found GUILTY of violating Canons 1 and 10, and Rules 1.01, 10.01 and 10.03 of the Code of Professional Responsibility, and the Lawyer's Oath. She is hereby SUSPENDED from the practice of law for a period of ONE YEAR, with a STERN WARNING that a commission of the same or similar offense in the future will result in the imposition of a more severe penalty.

Respondent is DIRECTED to file a Manifestation to this Court that her suspension has started, copy furnished all courts and quasi-judicial bodies where she has entered his appearance as counsel.

Let copies of this Resolution be furnished to the Office of the Bar Confidant, to be appended to the personal record of Atty. Atty. |sic| Teresita D. Rulloda as an attorney-at-law; to the Integrated Bar of the Philippines; and to the Office of the Court Administrator for dissemination to all courts throughout the country for their guidance and information.

<u>21</u> March 2023

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