



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

**OCA CIRCULAR NO. 130-2023**

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

**SUBJECT : SUSPENSION OF ATTY. CELSO O. ESCOBIDO FROM THE PRACTICE OF LAW FOR THREE (3) MONTHS AND REVOCATION OF HIS NOTARIAL COMMISSION WITH PROHIBITION FROM BEING COMMISSIONED AS A NOTARY PUBLIC FOR TWO (2) YEARS**

For your information and guidance, quoted hereunder is the dispositive portion of the Resolution dated 10 November 2021 of the Court (Second Division) in A.C. No. 12787, titled "**Sunvalley Parkview Homes Homeowners' Association, Inc. (SPHAI) vs. Atty. Celso O. Escobido,**" to wit:

WHEREFORE, the Court finds respondent ATTY. CELSO O. ESCOBIDO GUILTY of violating the 2004 Rules on Notarial Practice and the Code of Professional Responsibility. Accordingly, the Court (1) REVOKES his incumbent commission as a notary public, if any; (2) PROHIBITS him from being commissioned as a notary public for two years; and (3) SUSPENDS him from the practice of law for three months. He is WARNED that a repetition of the same offense or similar acts shall be dealt with more severely.

Atty. Escobido is DIRECTED to immediately file a manifestation to the Court that his suspension has started, copy furnished all courts and quasi-judicial bodies where he had entered his appearance as counsel.

Let copies of this Resolution be furnished to: (1) the Office of the Bar Confidant to be appended to Atty. Escobido's personal record as an attorney; (2) the Integrated Bar of the Philippines for its information and guidance; and (3) the Office of the Court Administrator for circulation to all courts in the country.

Finally, in a Resolution dated 16 January 2023, the Court (Second Division) **NOTED** the undated manifestation of respondent, stating that he received a copy of the Resolution dated 10 November 2021 on 05 January 2022; and that the aforesaid resolution was furnished the Office of the Bar Confidant, the Integrated Bar of the Philippines, and the Office of the Court Administrator.

21 March 2023



RAUL B. VILLANUEVA  
Court Administrator