

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

## OCA CIRCULAR NO. 175-2023

TO

: THE COURT OF APPEALS, SANDIGANBAYAN, COURT OF TAX APPEALS, REGIONAL TRIAL **SHARI'A** DISTRICT COURTS, 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** THE OFFICE. INTEGRATED BAR OF THE PHILIPPINES

**SUBJECT** 

: SUSPENSION OF ATTY. ORHEIM T. FERRER FROM THE PRACTICE OF LAW FOR SIX (6) MONTHS

For your information and guidance, quoted hereunder is the dispositive portion of the Resolution dated 10 November 2020 of the Court *En Banc* in A.C. No. 12833, titled "Salvacion C. Romo vs. Atty. Orheim T. Ferrer," to wit:

FOR THESE REASONS, Atty. Orheim T. Ferrer is SUSPENDED from the practice of law for a period of six months which shall take effect immediately upon receipt of this Resolution. He 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 has entered his appearance as counsel. He is likewise STENRLY WARNED that a repetition of the same or similar acts will be dealt with more severely.

Atty. Orheim T. Ferrer is also ORDERED to return to complainant within ten (10) days from notice the sum of ₱295,000.00 with interest of six percent (6%) per annum from receipt of this Resolution until the full amount is satisfied. Atty. Orheim T. Ferrer shall submit to the Court proof of restitution within ten (10) days from payment. Failure to comply with this directive shall warrant the imposition of a more severe penalty.

Let a copy of this Resolution be furnished to the Office of the Bar Confidant to be entered into Atty. Orheim T. Ferrer's records. Copies shall likewise be furnished to the Integrated Bar of the Philippines and the

Office of the Court Administrator for circulation to all courts concerned.

<u>26</u> April 2023

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