



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

OCA CIRCULAR NO. 182-2023

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

SUBJECT : SUSPENSION OF ATTY. GIOVANNI A. LUNA FROM THE PRACTICE OF LAW FOR THREE (3) MONTHS

For your information and guidance, quoted hereunder is the dispositive portion of the Decision dated 17 October 2018 of the Court (First Division) in A.C. No. 11486, titled "Fernando A. Flora III vs. Atty. Giovanni A. Luna," to wit:

WHEREFORE, respondent Atty. Giovanni A. Luna is **SUSPENDED** from the practice of law for three (3) months effective from finality of this Decision for violating the Code of Professional Responsibility. He is also ordered to **RETURN** to complainant the amount of ₱43,500.00 with 6% legal interest from the date of finality of this judgment until full payment.¹⁷ He is further **DIRECTED** to submit to this Court proof of payment of the amount within ten (10) days from payment. Respondent is also **STERNLY WARNED** that repetition of the same or similar act shall be dealt with more severely.

Let copies of this Decision be furnished the Office Confidant, the Integrated Bar of the Philippines and the Office of the Court Administrator.

In a Resolution dated 01 December 2021, the Court **DENIED** with **FINALITY** the respondent's second motion for reconsideration of the Decision dated 17 October 2018, and Resolution dated 05 February 2020, considering that there is no

¹⁷ *Spouses San Pedro v. Atty. Mendoza, supra* at 550.

substantial matter raised therein to warrant a modification of said Court's Decision and Resolution.

05 May 2023



RAUL B. VILLANUEVA
Court Administrator

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