



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

OCA CIRCULAR NO. 183-2023

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. ERNESTO DAVID DELOS SANTOS* FROM THE PRACTICE OF LAW FOR THREE (3) YEARS

For your information and guidance, quoted hereunder is the dispositive portion of the Decision dated 31 January 2023 of the Court *En Banc* in A.C. No. 13615, titled "**Juliewhyn R. Quindoza vs. Atty. Ernesto David Delos Santos* and Atty. Marujita S. Palabrica,**" to wit:

ACCORDINGLY, this Court finds Atty. Ernesto David Delos Santos **GUILTY** of gross immorality, in violation of Canon 1, Rule 1.01, and Canon 7, Rule 7.03 of the Code of Professional Responsibility. He is **SUSPENDED** from the practice of law for a period of **THREE (3) YEARS** with a **STERN WARNING** that a repetition of the same or similar offense shall be dealt with more severely.

We **DISMISS** the administrative case filed against Atty. Marujita S. Palabrica for lack of merit.

Let copies of this Decision be furnished to the Office of the Bar Confidant to be appended to Atty. Ernesto David Delos Santo's personal record as an attorney; the Integrated Bar of the Philippines for its information and

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guidance; and the Office of the Court Administrator for circulation to all courts in the country.

05 May 2023



RAUL B. VILLANUEVA
Court Administrator

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