



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

OCA CIRCULAR NO. 273-2023

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. CATHERINE C. CORPUZ-VALENCIA FROM THE PRACTICE OF LAW FOR ONE (1) YEAR

For your information and guidance, quoted hereunder is the dispositive portion of the Resolution dated 07 September 2022 of the Court (Third Division) in A.C. No. 9907, titled "**Rey O. Arzadon, et al. vs. Atty. Catherine C. Corpuz-Valencia,**" to wit:

WHEREFORE, premises considered, the Court **ADOPTS** and **APPROVES** the Extended Resolution, dated 6 March 2017, of the Integrated Bar of the Philippines-Board of Governors, finding Atty. Catherine C. Corpuz-Valencia, guilty of the charges and imposing on her the penalty of suspension for one (1) year from the practice of law effective upon receipt of this Resolution, with the stern warning that any repetition by her of the same or similar acts will be punished more severely. Furthermore, she is **ORDERED** to **RETURN** to complainants Rey O. Arzadon and Pascual O. Arzadon, Jr., the amount of Twenty-Three Thousand Pesos (₱23,000.00), with interest at the rate of six percent (6%) *per annum* from the date of promulgation of this Resolution, until fully paid. She is likewise **DIRECTED** to submit to the Court proof of payment of the amount within ten (10) days from receipt of this Resolution.

Let a copy of this Resolution be entered in the personal records of Atty. Catherine C. Corpuz-Valencia as a member of the Philippine Bar, and copies furnished to the Office of the Bar Confidant, the Integrated Bar of the Philippines, and the Office of the Court Administrator for proper dissemination to all courts in the country.

In a Resolution dated 27 February 2023, the Court
NOTED respondent's Manifestation dated November 17,
2022.

07 August 2023



RAUL B. VILLANUEVA
Court Administrator

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