



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

OCA CIRCULAR NO. 279-2023

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

SUBJECT : DISBARMENT OF ATTY. JOSE A. DIÑO, JR.

For your information and guidance, quoted hereunder is the dispositive portion of the Decision dated 02 July 2019 of the Court *En Banc* in A.C. No. 7389, entitled "**Vantage Lighting Philippines, Inc., John Paul Fairclough and Ma. Cecilia G. Roque vs. Atty. Jose A. Diño, Jr.**," and in A.C. No. 10596, "**Atty. Jose A. Diño, Jr. vs. Attys. Paris G. Real and Sherwin G. Real**," to wit:

WHEREFORE, premises considered, Atty. Jose A. Diño, Jr. is hereby **DISBARRED FROM THE PRACTICE OF LAW EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY** upon his receipt of this Decision. Let his name be stricken off the Roll of Attorneys.

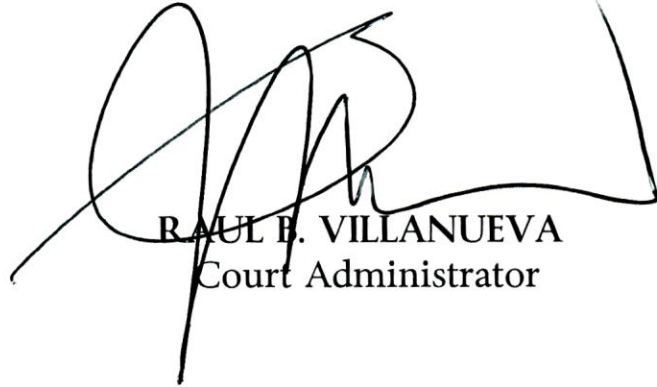
On the other hand, the administrative complaint against Attys. Paris G. Real and Sherwin G. Real is **DISMISSED** for failure of Atty. Jose A. Diño, Jr. to prove his case against them.

Let copies of this Decision be furnished to the Office of the Bar Confidant to be appended to Atty. Jose A. Diño, Jr.'s personal record as an attorney, to the Integrated Bar of the Philippines, and to all courts in the country for their information and guidance. May this Decision serve as a warning to all lawyers that this Court takes seriously any imputation that would harm the integrity of our courts and the judicial system.

In a Resolution dated 18 April 2023, acting on the 'Omnibus Motion to Reconsider, Reverse and Set Aside the Court's Decision (dated July 2, 2019) and/or to Remand the

Complaint for Proper Investigation with Very Urgent Verified Application to Lift/Suspend *Pendente Lite* the Immediate Effectivity of the Imposed Penalty' dated September 19, 2019 filed by respondent/complainant Jose A. Diño, Jr., the Court Resolved to **DENIED WITH FINALITY** the said Omnibus Motion as no substantial matters were presented to warrant the reversal of the questioned Decision.

07 August 2023



RAUL B. VILLANUEVA
Court Administrator