

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

OCA CIRCULAR NO. 327-2023

TO

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

SUBJECT: LIFTING OF THE SUSPENSION FROM THE PRACTICE OF LAW OF ATTY. JEROME W. SELMO

In its Resolution dated 24 February 2020 in A.C. No. 10296, titled "Winnie B. Francisco v. Atty. Jerome W. Selmo," the Court (Third Division), among others, (a) found respondent GUILTY of violating Section 1, Rule II of the 2004 Rules on Notarial Practice and Rules 1.01 and 1.02 of the Code of Professional Responsibility; and (b) SUSPENDED him from the practice of law for a period of one (1) year.

The Office of the Bar Confidant, in its 1st Indorsement dated 16 August 2023, furnished the Office of the Court Administrator a copy of the <u>Sworn Statement of Compliance</u> dated 15 June 2023 filed by Atty. Selmo.

Pursuant to the guidelines outlined by the Court in its Decision dated 10 January 2023 in A.C. No. 11032, titled "Re: Order dated 01 October 2015 in Criminal Case No. 15-318727-34, Regional Trial Court (RTC), Branch 49, Manila, against Atty. Severo L. Brillantes governing the lifting of the penalty of suspension imposed against members of the Bar, the order of suspension shall be automatically lifted upon submission by the respondent lawyer of such Sworn Statement that he or she has completed the service of suspension¹.

Accordingly, insofar as the Court's Resolution dated 24 February 2020 in A.C. No. 10296 is concerned, the therein

¹ Item 6, OCA Circular No. 84-2023 dated 27 February 2023 (*Requirements on Lifting of the Penalty of Suspension Imposed Against Members of the Bar*)

imposed suspension from the practice of law of Atty. Jerome W. Selmo is deemed LIFTED.

<u>15</u> September 2023

JENNY LIND R. ALDECOA-DELORINO

Deputy Court Administrator

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Officer-in-Charge

Office of the Court Administrator

(Per Memorandum Order No. 107-2023 dated 08 September 2023)

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