

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

## OCA CIRCULAR NO. 339-2023

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 MUNICIPAL **CIRCUIT** COURTS, COURTS, SHARI'AH CIRCUIT COURTS, THE OFFICE OF THE CHIEF STATE PROSECUTOR, ATTORNEY'S OFFICE. AND PUBLIC INTEGRATED BAR OF THE PHILIPPINES

SUBJECT: LIFTING OF THE SUSPENSION FROM THE PRACTICE OF LAW OF ATTY. MARLOW L. LICUDINE

In its Resolution dated 25 July 2023 in A.C. No. 12768, titled "Felicitas H. Bondoc, Represented by Conrad H. Bautista v. Atty. Marlow L. Licudine," the Court *En Banc* REQUIRED the respondent to: (i) SUBMIT an updated Sworn Statement reflecting his compliance with the resolution dated April 18, 2023; and (ii) PAY a FINE of Two Thousand Pesos (₱2,000.00), simultaneous with the submission of the aforesaid Statement, for his belated commencement of the service of his suspension.

The Office of the Bar Confidant (OBC), in its 1<sup>st</sup> Indorsement dated 21 September 2023, furnished the Office of the Court Administrator a copy of the <u>Compliance</u> and <u>Sworn Statement</u> dated 18 August 2023 filed by Atty. Licudine.

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 suspension<sup>1</sup>.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 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*).

Accordingly, insofar as the Court's Resolution dated 25 July 2023 in A.C. No. 12768 is concerned, the therein imposed suspension from the practice of law of Atty. Marlow L. Licudine is deemed LIFTED.

<u>27</u> September 2023

AULB. VILLANUEVA

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