

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

OCA CIRCULAR NO. <u>380-202</u>3

- 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 TRIAL COURTS. COURTS, SHARI'AH CIRCUIT COURTS, THE OFFICE OF THE CHIEF STATE PROSECUTOR, PUBLIC ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, AND THE INTEGRATED BAR OF THE PHILIPPINES
- SUBJECT : LIFTING OF THE SUSPENSION FROM THE PRACTICE OF LAW OF ATTY. FEDERICO T. VENZON

In its Decision dated 27 July 2020 in A.C. No. 8559, titled *"Susana G. De Guzman v. Attys. Federico T. Venzon and Glenn B. Palubon,"* the Court (Second Division), among others, found respondent GUILTY of violating of the 2004 Rules on Notarial Practice, and Canon 1 and Rule 1.01 of the Code of Professional Responsibility, and SUSPENDED him from the practice of law for a period of six (6) months.

The Office of the Bar Confidant (OBC), in its 1st Indorsement dated 16 November 2023, furnished the Office of the Court Administrator a copy of the <u>Sworn Statement</u> dated 08 November 2023 filed by Atty. Venzon.

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.

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*).

Accordingly, insofar as the Court's Decision dated 27 July 2020 in A.C. No. 8559 is concerned, the therein imposed suspension from the practice of law of Atty. Federico T. Venzon is deemed LIFTED.

<u>28</u> November 2023

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