

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

OCA CIRCULAR NO. <u>382-2023</u>

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, AND PUBLIC ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, THE **INTEGRATED BAR OF THE PHILIPPINES**

SUBJECT : DISBARMENT OF ATTY. ARIEL D. MAGLALANG

For information and guidance, quoted hereunder is the dispositive portion of the Decision dated 22 August 2023 of the Court *En Banc* in A.C. No. 8471, titled "Judge Ray Alan T. Drilon and Atty. Corazon P. Romero vs. Atty. Ariel D. Maglalang," to wit:

ACCORDINGLY, the Court finds Atty. Ariel D. Maglalang GUILTY of violation of Sections 1, 2, 5, and 8 of Canon II, and Section 2 of Canon III of the Code of Professional Responsibility and Accountability. He is DISBARRED from the practice of law and his name is ordered STRICKEN OFF from the Roll of Attorneys, effective immediately.

Let a copy of this Decision be furnished the Office of the Bar Confidant to be appended to the personal records of respondent Atty. Ariel D. Maglalang, the Integrated Bar of the Philippines, and the Office of the Court Administrator for circulation to all the courts.

<u>30</u> November 2023

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