

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

## OCA CIRCULAR NO. <u>47-2024</u>

- TO
- THE COURT OF APPEALS, SANDIGANBAYAN, : COURT OF TAX APPEALS, REGIONAL TRIAL COURTS. SHARľAH 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 : LIFTING OF THE SUSPENSION FROM THE PRACTICE OF LAW OF ATTY. DENNIS L. DIÑO

In its Resolution dated 28 August 2018 in A.C. No. 12174, titled "Alfred Lehnert v. Atty. Dennis L. Diño," the Court En Banc, among others, SUSPENDED him from the practice of law for two (2) years.

The Office of the Bar Confidant, in its 1<sup>st</sup> Indorsement dated 06 February 2024, furnished the Office of the Court Administrator a copy of the <u>Sworn Affidavit</u> dated 06 October 2023 filed by Atty. Diño.

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>

Accordingly, insofar as the Court's Resolution dated 28 August 2018 in A.C. No. 12174 is concerned, the therein

<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).

imposed suspension from the practice of law of Atty. Dennis L. Diño is deemed LIFTED.

16 February 2024

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**ILLANUEVA Court** Administrator