

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

## OCA CIRCULAR NO. <u>115-2024</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 MUNICIPAL CIRCUIT COURTS. TRIAL COURTS, SHARI'AH CIRCUIT COURTS, THE OFFICE OF THE CHIEF STATE PROSECUTOR, ATTORNEY'S PUBLIC OFFICE. AND THE **INTEGRATED BAR OF THE PHILIPPINES**
- SUBJECT : LIFTING OF THE SUSPENSION FROM THE PRACTICE OF LAW OF ATTY. JOHN KENNETH T. MORENO

In its Resolution dated 7 September 2022 in A.C. No. 13431, titled *"Ronald L. Dela Rosa v. Atty. John Kenneth T. Moreno,"* the Court (First Division), among others, SUSPENDED him from the practice of law for one (1) year.

The Office of the Bar Confidant, in its 1<sup>st</sup> Indorsement dated 4 April 2024, furnished the Office of the Court Administrator a copy of the <u>Manifestation and Urgent Motion to Lift</u> <u>Suspension Order</u> dated 2 January 2024 filed by Atty. Moreno.

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 7 September 2022 in A.C. No. 13431 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. John Kenneth T. Moreno is deemed LIFTED.

<u>23</u> April 2024

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