

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

OCA CIRCULAR NO. 120-2024

TO

THE COURT OF APPEALS, SANDIGANBAYAN, COURT OF TAX APPEALS, REGIONAL TRIAL **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, ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, AND THE **PUBLIC** INTEGRATED BAR OF THE PHILIPPINES

SUBJECT: LIFTING OF THE SUSPENSION FROM THE PRACTICE OF LAW OF ATTY. MARIA NYMPHA C. MANDAGAN

In its Decision dated 28 June 2021 in A.C. No. 12669, titled "Josemarie L. Diaz versus Atty. Maria Nympha C. Mandagan," the Court (Third Division), among others, SUSPENDED her from the practice of law for two (2) years.

The Office of the Bar Confidant, in its 1st Indorsement dated 15 April 2024, furnished the Office of the Court Administrator a copy of the <u>Manifestation with Attached Sworn Statement</u> dated 4 March 2024 filed by Atty. Mandagan.

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.¹

Accordingly, insofar as the Court's Decision dated 28 June 2021 in A.C. No. 12669 is concerned, the therein

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).

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imposed suspension from the practice of law of Atty. Maria Nympha C. Mandagan is deemed LIFTED.

<u>25</u> April 2024

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