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TO :

THE COURT OF APPEALS, SANDIGANBAYAN, COURT OF TAX APPEALS, REGIONAL TRIAL COURTS, SHARI'A DISTRICT COURTS, METROPOLITAN TRIAL COURTS, MUNICIPAL TRIAL COURTS IN CITIES, MUNICIPAL TRIAL COURTS, MUNICIPAL CIRCUIT TRIAL COURTS, SHARI'A CIRCUIT COURTS, THE OFFICE OF THE CHIEF STATE PROSECUTOR, PUBLIC ATTORNEY'S OFFICE AND THE INTEGRATED BAR OF THE PHILIPPINES

SUBJECT :

SUSPENSION OF ATTY. WILMA DONNA C. ANQUILO-GARCIA FROM THE PRACTICE OF LAW FOR SIX (6) MONTHS AND REVOCATION OF HER NOTARIAL COMMISSION AND DISQUALIFICATION FROM REAPPOINTMENT AS NOTARY PUBLIC FOR ONE (1) YEAR

For your information and guidance, quoted hereunder is the Resolution dated 31 August 2016 of the Third Division in Administrative Case No. 8698, entitled "Manuel B. Bernaldez v. Atty. Wilma Donna C. Anquilo-Garcia," to wit:

WHEREFORE, premises considered, the Court RESOLVES to:

- (i) NOTE the Notice of Resolution No. XXI-2015-547 dated June 20, 2015 of the Integrated Bar of the Philippines Board of Governors adopting and approving the Report and Recommendation of the Investigating Commissioner, and dismissing the complaint against Atty. Wilma Donna C. Anquilo-Garcia without prejudice;
- (ii) NOTE the Letter dated April 14, 2016 of the Integrated Bar of the Philippines Commission on Bar Discipline 'transmitting the documents pertaining to this case;
- (iii) REVOKE the notarial commission of respondent Atty. Wilma Donna C. Anquilo-Garcia for breach of the 2004 Rules on Notarial Practice; and DISQUALIFY her from reappointment as notary public for a period of ONE (1) YEAR; and
- (iv) SUSPEND Atty. Wilma Donna C. Anquilo-Garcia from the practice of law for a period of SIX (6) MONTHS effective immediately for violation of the Code of Professional Responsibility. She is further WARNED that a repetition of the same or of similar acts shall be dealt with more severely.

7 February 2017

(SGD.) JOSE MIDAS P. MARQUEZ
Court Administrator

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