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TO:

ALL JUDGES

SUBJECT:

JURISDICTION OVER PETITIONS FOR REVIEW OF DECISIONS OF THE OMBUDSMAN IN ADMINISTRATIVE CASES

It has come to the attention of the Court that there are judges who take cognizance of petitions involving Ombudsman decisions in administrative cases notwithstanding that jurisdiction thereon properly belongs to the Court of Appeals.

All judges are therefore hereby reminded of the ruling of the Supreme Court in *Macalalag vs. Ombudsman, et. al.*, G.R. No. 147995, 4 March 2004, citing the leading case of *Fabian vs. Desierto* (G.R. No. 129742, 16 September 1998), that:

"all appeals from decisions of the Ombudsman in administrative disciplinary cases are x x x to be taken to the Court of Appeals under Rule 43 of the 1997 Rules of Civil Procedures."

Strict compliance is hereby enjoined.

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