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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 ATTORNEYS OFFICE AND THE INTEGRATED BAR OF THE PHILIPPINES

### SUBJECT :

SUSPENSION OF ATTY. MERCEDES BUHAYANG-MARGALLO FROM THE PRACTICE OF LAW FOR TWO (2) YEARS

For your information and guidance, quoted hereunder is the Resolution dated 3 February 2015 of the Court En Banc in Administrative Case No. 10537, entitled "Reynaldo G. Ramirez v. Atty. Mercedes Buhayang-Margallo," to wit:

WHEREFORE, the Petition for Review is DENIED. The Recommendation and Resolution of the Board of Governors of the Integrated Bar of the Philippines dated March 21, 2014 is ACCEPTED, ADOPTED AND AFFIRMED. Atty. Mercedes Buhayang-Margallo is hereby SUSPENDED from the practice of law for two (2) years, with a stern warning that a repetition of the same or similar act shall be dealt with more severely. This decision is immediately executory.

In a Resolution dated 7 July 2015, the Court DENIED with FINALITY the respondent's Motion for Reconsideration there being no substantial matters raised to warrant its consideration.

3 October 2017

(SGD.) RAUL BAUTISTA VILLANUEVA

Deputy Court Administrator

and

Officer-in-Charge

Office of the Court Administrator

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