

## REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES SUPREME COURT Baguio City

## SECOND DIVISION

## NOTICE

Sirs/Mesdames:

Please take notice that the Court, Second Division, issued a Resolution dated January 11, 2023 which reads as follows:

"A.C. No. 13631 [Formerly CBD Case No. 12-3541 (Virginia Regalia, Complainant v. Atty. Engelberto A. Farol, Respondent.) - The Court NOTES the Integrated Bar of the Philippines (IBP) Board of Governors' (1) Notice of Resolution No. XXI-2015-305<sup>1</sup> dated April 19, 2015 which reversed and set aside the Report and Recommendation<sup>2</sup> dated November 18, 2013 of the Investigating Commissioner, and recommended the suspension of respondent Atty. Engelberto A. Farol (respondent) from the practice of law for six (6) months for finding conflict of interest on the part of respondent consisting of his engagement as counsel for the adverse party in complainant's case, where the latter's counsels, Attys. Alan Cos and Michael Pecson, were respondent's law partners; and (2) Notice of Resolution<sup>3</sup> dated May 28, 2019 which granted respondent's motion for reconsideration<sup>4</sup> and dismissed the case against respondent, with attached Extended Resolution<sup>5</sup> dated July 2, 2022 explaining the recommendation of the Board of Governors in this case; both transmitted by letter dated July 12, 2022 of Director Avelino V. Sales, Jr., IBP Commission on Bar Discipline, together with the records and flash drive file of the case.

The Court resolves to **ADOPT** and **APPROVE** the findings of fact, conclusions of law, and recommendation in the attached Extended Resolution dated July 2, 2022 of the IBP. The Complaint against Atty. Engelberto A. Farol is **DISMISSED**.

SO ORDERED."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Rollo, pp. 247-248.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Id. at 249-256.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Id. at 297.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Id. at 264-276.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Id. at 298-299. Prepared by CBD Task Force Commissioner Edward C. Cham.

By authority of the Court:

TERESITA AQUINO TUAZON
Division Clerk of Court 19 9/8
11 SEP 2023

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\*with a copy of the IBP Extended Resolution dated July 2, 2022 *Please notify the Court of any change in your address.* AC13631. 1/11/2023(537)URES