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SUPREME COURT
Manila

SECOND DIVISION

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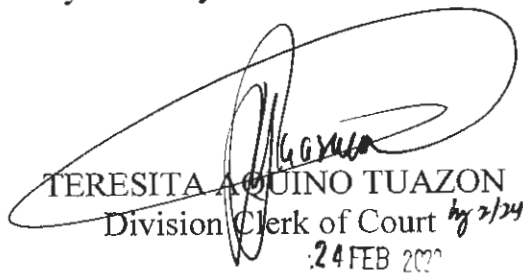
*Please take notice that the Court, Second Division, issued a Resolution dated **14 February 2022** which reads as follows:*

“**A.C. No. 11213 (Romeo Adan, Cirila Adan, Tarcisio Vibar, Maria Leano Vibar, and Roberto Telegrafo Desoasido v. Atty. Edcel Ballicud)**. – The Court **NOTES** the Integrated Bar of the Philippines (IBP) Board of Governors’: (1) Notice of Resolution¹ dated July 11, 2020, which adopted the findings of fact and recommendation of the Investigating Commissioner to dismiss the case; transmitted by the letter² dated August 4, 2021 of Director Avelino V. Sales, Jr. (Director Sales), Commission on Bar Discipline, IBP, together with the records of the case; and (2) letter³ dated July 29, 2021 of Director Sales, stating that the report and recommendation were already submitted by Investigating Commissioner Atty. Victor Emmanuel M. Pangilinan to the Board; that after having been deliberated upon by the Board on July 11, 2020, a resolution was passed, adopted, and promulgated; and that the Notice of Resolution was sent to the parties on November 10, 2020, and awaits the registry return card.

The Court **RESOLVES** to **ADOPT** and **APPROVE** the findings of fact, conclusions of law, and recommendation of the Integrated Bar of the Philippines in the attached Report and Recommendation⁴ dated February 3, 2020. Accordingly, the Court **DISMISSES** the complaint⁵ against Atty. Edcel Ballicud for lack of merit.

SO ORDERED.”

By authority of the Court:


TERESITA AQUINO TUAZON
Division Clerk of Court *by 2/24*
24 FEB 2022

¹ *Rollo*, pp. 83-84.

² *Id.* at 81.

³ *Id.* at 114-A.

⁴ *Id.* at 85-89. Signed by Investigating Commissioner Vincent Patrick R. Cruz.

⁵ Titled ‘Verified Complaint’ dated December 30, 2015; *id.* at 1-7.

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*with copy of the Report and Recommendation dated 3 February 2020

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