



Republic of the Philippines
Supreme Court
Manila

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OSCAR ROBERT H.
CRISTOBAL,

G.R. No. 266775

Petitioner,

- versus -

COMMISSION ON
ELECTIONS, ALFREDO A.
GARBIN, JR., JOSEPH SAN
JUAN ARMOGILA and
CARMEN GERALDINE
ROSAL,

Respondents.

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CARMEN GERALDINE
ROSAL,

G.R. No. 266796

Petitioner,

- versus -

STATUS QUO ANTE
ORDER

COMMISSION ON
ELECTIONS, JOSEPH SAN
JUAN ARMOGILA, ALFREDO
A. GARBIN, JR. and OSCAR
ROBERT H. CRISTOBAL,

Respondents.

X-----X

TO: * COMMISSION ON ELECTIONS (x)
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GREETINGS:

WHEREAS, a Petition for *Certiorari* (with Extremely Urgent Application for the Issuance of a Temporary Restraining Order and/or the Issuance of a Writ of Preliminary Injunction) was filed by petitioner Oscar Robert H. Cristobal, docketed as G.R. No. 266775;

WHEREAS, another Petition for *Certiorari* (with Extremely Urgent Motion for Issuance of *Status Quo Ante* Order, Temporary Restraining Order and/or Writ of Preliminary Injunction) was filed by petitioner Carmen Geraldine Rosal, through counsel, docketed as G.R. No. 266796;

WHEREAS, both petitions were filed under Rule 64 in relation to Rule 65 of the Rules of Court, assailing the Resolutions dated October 4, 2022 and May 4, 2023 of the Commission on Elections (COMELEC) in SPA No. 22-032 (DC) which, *inter alia*, disqualified Carmen Geraldine Rosal as a candidate for Mayor of Legazpi City, Albay, in the 2022 National and Local Elections; and directed the Special City Board of Canvassers of Legazpi City to convene within ten (10) days from the finality of the May 4, 2023 Resolution and proclaim the second placer, Alfredo A. Garbin, Jr., as the duly-elected Mayor of Legazpi City;

WHEREAS, considering the allegations contained, the issues raised and the arguments adduced in the petitions, it is necessary and proper to (a) **CONSOLIDATE** the two petitions docketed as G.R. Nos. 266775 and 266796; (b) **REQUIRE** the respondents to file their respective **CONSOLIDATED COMMENTS** thereon within a **NON-EXTENDIBLE** period of ten (10) days from notice hereof; and (c) **ISSUE** a *Status Quo Ante Order* requiring the parties to observe the **STATUS QUO** prevailing before the issuance of the Resolutions dated October 4, 2022 and May 4, 2023 of the COMELEC in SPA No. 22-032 (DC).

NOW, THEREFORE, You, respondents COMELEC, Alfredo A. Garbin, Jr., Joseph San Juan Armogila, Carmen Geraldine Rosal and Oscar Robert H. Cristobal are hereby required to file your respective **CONSOLIDATED COMMENTS** on the instant petitions within a **NON-**

EXTENDIBLE period of ten (10) days from notice hereof and observe the **STATUS QUO** prevailing before the issuance of COMELEC Resolutions dated October 4, 2022 and May 4, 2023 in SPA No. 22-032 (DC).

GIVEN by authority of the Honorable MARVIC MARIO VICTOR F. LEONEN, Acting Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the Philippines, upon the written recommendation of the Member-in-Charge, this 11th day of May 2023, in Manila, Philippines.



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