



REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
SUPREME COURT
Manila

SECOND DIVISION

NOTICE

Sirs/Mesdames:

*Please take notice that the Court, Second Division, issued a Resolution dated **August 17, 2022** which reads as follows:*

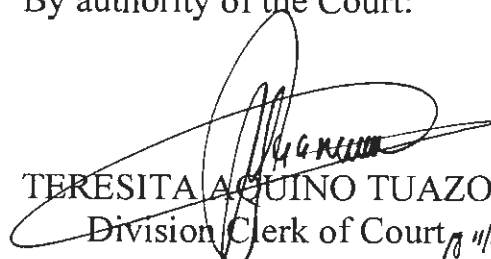
“OCA IPI No. 14-4276-RTJ (MICHAEL G.A.R. VARGAS, complainant, v. PRESIDING JUDGE MARITES FILOMENA B. RANA-BERNALES, Branch 39, Regional Trial Court (RTC), Cagayan De Oro City; CLERK OF COURT VII DICK CARLO J. CABANLAS, Office of the Clerk of Court, RTC, Cagayan De Oro City; CLERK OF COURT V KATHRYN A. GALARRITA, Branch 39, RTC, Cagayan De Oro City; and UTILITY WORKER VICENTE S. RABE, Branch 39, RTC, Cagayan De Oro City, respondents) – The Report and Recommendation¹ dated February 16, 2022 of the Judicial Integrity Board (JIB) is NOTED.

The Court resolves to **ADOPT** and **APPROVE** the findings of fact, conclusions of law, and recommendations of the JIB in the attached Report and Recommendation dated February 16, 2022. The complaint against **JUDGE MARITES FILOMENA B. RANA-BERNALES**, is **DISMISSED** for being judicial in nature and for utter lack of merit.

The complaint against **CLERK OF COURT VII DICK CARLO J. CABANLAS; CLERK OF COURT V KATHRYN A. GALARRITA; and UTILITY WORKER VICENTE S. RABE** is **DISMISSED** for utter lack of merit.

SO ORDERED.”

By authority of the Court:


TERESITA AGUIÑO TUAZON
Division Clerk of Court *ff u/s*
15 NOV 2023

¹ *Rollo*, Vol. II, pp. 942–965.

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*with copies of the February 16, 2022 JIB Report and August 23, 2023 Resolution

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