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SUPREME COURT
Manila

SECOND DIVISION

NOTICE

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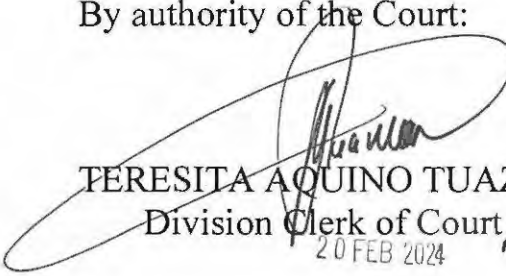
*Please take notice that the Court, Second Division, issued a Resolution dated **August 30, 2023** which reads as follows:*

“**A.C. No. 13713 [Formerly CBD Case No. 12-3427] (Philippine Bank of Communications, Complainant, v. Atty. Roem J. Arbolado, Respondent).** – The Notice of Resolution¹ in Resolution No. CBD-XXV-2022-07-02 dated July 9, 2022 of the Board of Governors of the Integrated Bar of the Philippines (IBP) is **NOTED**. The Court resolves to **ADOPT** and **APPROVE** the findings of fact, conclusions of law, and recommendations of the IBP Investigating Commissioner in the attached Report and Recommendation² dated March 7, 2022, which was adopted and approved by the IBP Board of Governors. The Complaint-Affidavit³ against respondent Atty. Roem J. Arbolado is **DISMISSED** in view of his death pursuant to Canon VI, Section 12⁴ on Accountability of the Code of Professional Responsibility and Accountability.⁵

Let this case be considered **CLOSED** and **TERMINATED**.

SO ORDERED.” (Lopez, M., J., on official leave)

By authority of the Court:


TERESITA AQUINO TUAZON
Division Clerk of Court *ff 2/20*
20 FEB 2024

¹ Rollo, pp. 140–141. Signed by National Secretary Doroteo Lorenzo B. Aguila.

² *Id.* at 142–145. Signed by Commissioner Roland B. Beltran.

³ *Id.* at 1–6.

⁴ SEC. 12. *Effect of death of lawyer on administrative disciplinary cases.* – Disciplinary proceedings may not be instituted against a lawyer who has died. If such proceedings have been instituted notwithstanding the lawyer’s death, the administrative case against said lawyer shall be dismissed.

The death of the lawyer during the pendency of the case shall cause its dismissal.
(Emphasis supplied)

⁵ A.M. No. 22-09-01-SC, April 11, 2023.

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*with a copy of the IBP Report and Recommendation dated
March 7, 2022

Please notify the Court of any change in your address.

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