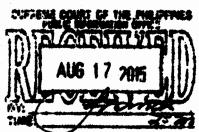


Republic of the Philippines Supreme Court Manila

FIRST DIVISION

NOTICE



Sirs/Mesdames:

Please take notice that the Court, First Division, issued a Resolution dated July 6, 2015 which reads as follows:

"G.R. No. 202369 (Philippine Savings Bank v. Sps. Eriberto and Dinah* Guevarra). — After a judicious review of the records, the Court resolves to DENY the instant petition and AFFIRM the February 8, 2012 Decision¹ and June 22, 2012 Resolution² of the Court of Appeals (CA) in CA-G.R. CV No. 96514 for failure of petitioner Philippine Savings Bank to show that the CA committed any reversible error in nullifying the writ of possession³ issued by the Regional Trial Court of Pasig City, Branch 167 (RTC) in LRC Case No. R-6781-PSG.

As correctly ruled by the CA, the issuance of a writ of possession was not merely ministerial on the part of the RTC since there is a third party in possession of the property who is claiming a right adverse to that of the debtor or mortgagor, *i.e.*, herein respondents-spouses Eriberto and Dinah Guevarra, who claim to own the subject property and are in actual possession thereof.⁴ The procedure is for the court to order a hearing to determine the nature of said adverse possession.⁵

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"Dina" in some parts of the rollo.

² Id. At 44-45.

See Section 33, rule 39 of the Rules of Court.

⁵ "Where a parcel levied upon on execution is occupied by a party other than a judgment debtor, the procedure is for the court to order a hearing to determine the nature of said adverse possession. Similarly, in an extrajudicial foreclosure of real property, when the foreclosed property is in the possession of a third party holding the same adversely to the defaulting debtor/mortgagor, the issuance by the RTC of a writ of possession in favor of the purchaser of the said real property ceases to be ministerial and may no longer be done ex parte. For the exception to apply, however, the property need not only be possessed by a third party, but also held by the third party adversely to the debtor/mortgagor." (China Banking Corp. v. Sps. Lozada, 579 Phil. 454, 474-475 [2008]; citation omitted).



¹ Rollo, pp. 28-42. Penned by Associate Justice Celia C. Librea-Leagogo with Associate Justices Elihu A. Ybañez and Danton Q. Bueser concurring.

³ Id. At 110-112. Penned by Pairing Judge Agnes Reyes-Carpio.

SO ORDERED."

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