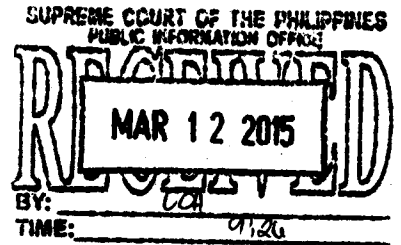


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REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
SUPREME COURT
Manila

SECOND DIVISION



NOTICE

Sirs/Mesdames:

Please take notice that the Court, Second Division, issued a Resolution dated **04 February 2015** which reads as follows:

G.R. No. 203436 - People of the Philippines v. Eduardo Lapuz y Calderon and Precy Lapuz y Tacsay.

Before the Court is the Bucor Inmate Hospitalization Board Resolution No. 007-14,¹ dated February 21, 2014, issued by the Bureau of Corrections, indorsed by the Secretary of Justice for appropriate action. The said board resolution recommended the hospitalization of accused Precy Lapuz y Tacsay (*Lapuz*) outside the prison facility.

Lapuz was convicted by the Regional Trial Court, Branch 151, Pasig City (*RTC*) 1] in Criminal Case No. 13090-D for violation of Section 5 in relation to Section 26, Article II of Republic Act (*R.A.*) No. 9165, otherwise known as the Comprehensive Dangerous Drugs Act of 2002, and was sentenced to suffer the penalty of life imprisonment and payment of ₱500,000.00; and 2] in Criminal Case No. 13091-D for violation of Section 11 of R.A. No. 9165 and was sentenced to suffer the indeterminate sentence of imprisonment from Eight (8) Years and One (1) Day to Fourteen (14) Years and the payment of ₱300,000.00.

On July 30, 2010, the Court of Appeals (*CA*) affirmed *in toto* the decision of the *RTC*. On July 1, 2013, the Court dismissed the appeal of Lapuz for her failure to sufficiently show reversible error in the challenged decision.

On November 11, 2013, the Entry of Judgment² was issued, and the records of the case were returned to the *CA*.³

On February 21, 2014, the Bureau of Corrections issued Bucor Inmate Hospitalization Board Resolution No. 007-14, recommending before the Secretary of Justice the approval of the hospitalization of Lapuz, who was diagnosed to be suffering from T/C Cardiac Arrhythmia, at the Mandaluyong City Medical Center.

¹ *Rollo*, pp. 60-65.

² *Id.* at 44-45.

³ *Id.* at 47-48.


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On March 11, 2014, the Secretary of Justice indorsed before the Court the said Board Resolution for appropriate action.

Acting on the matter, the Court grants permission for the Bureau of Correction to bring Lapuz to the Mandaluyong City Medical Center for further examination and management by its physicians. The Court, however, defers action on the request for hospitalization until receipt of the medical report and recommendation of the attending physicians. (*Brion, J., on leave; Velasco, Jr., J., designated Acting member, per Special Order No. 1910, dated January 12, 2015*)

SO ORDERED.

Very truly yours,


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