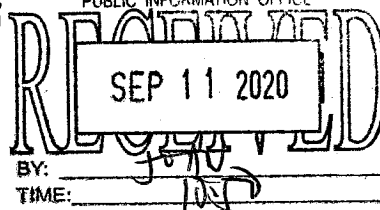




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NOTICE

Sirs/Mesdames:

Please take notice that the Court, Third Division, issued a Resolution dated July 15, 2020, which reads as follows:

“A.C. No. 12761 (*Gary Gregg B. Pantanosas v. Atty. Alejandro Jose C. Pallugna*)– The Court **NOTES** the letter dated November 29, 2019 of Atty. Randall C. Tabayoyong, Director for Bar Discipline of the Integrated Bar of the Philippines (IBP) Commission on Bar Discipline, transmitting to this Court the documents pertaining to this case.

The June 17, 2017¹ and October 5, 2018² Notices of Resolution of the Board of Governors (*Board*) of the Integrated Bar of the Philippines are **NOTED**. Considering that the findings of fact, conclusions of law, and recommendation of the Investigating Commissioner in the attached May 3, 2016 Report and Recommendation,³ as approved by the Board, are supported by the evidence on record and by applicable laws, this Court **ADOPTS** and **ACCEPTS** these findings and recommendation.

WHEREFORE, this Court adopts and approves the June 17, 2017 and October 5, 2018 Resolutions of the IBP Board of Governors in CBD Case No. 15-4608 and finds Atty. Alejandro Jose C. Pallugna **GUILTY** of violating Canons⁴ and 11⁵ of the Code of Professional Responsibility. He is hereby **REPRIMANDED** with a **STERN WARNING** that a repetition of the same or similar act shall be dealt with more severely.

¹ *Rollo*, p. 1, Vol. III.

² *Id.* at 41.

³ *Id.* at 2-6.

⁴ A lawyer shall conduct himself with courtesy, fairness and candor toward his professional colleagues, and shall avoid harassing tactics against opposing counsel.


⁵ A lawyer shall observe and maintain the respect due to the Courts and to judicial officers and should insist on similar conduct by others.

SO ORDERED.”

By authority of the Court:

MISAEAL DOMINGO C. BATTUNG III
Division Clerk of Court

By:


RUMAR D. PASION
Deputy Division Clerk of Court ^{JPP}
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