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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 170

FURTHER MODIFYING ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 147 DATED OCTOBER 26, 1955, AS MODIFIED BY ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 335 DATED OCTOBER 24, 1960, CONCERNING MR. CELSO AVELINO, FORMER CITY ATTORNEY OF CALBAYOG.

Under Administrative Order No. 147 dated October 26, 1955, Mr. Celso Avelino was removed as city attorney of Calbayog for electioneering, partiality and ignorance of the law. The decision therein removing him from office was subsequently modified by Administrative Order No. 335 dated October 24, 1960, by allowing his reinstatement in the public service, except in the prosecution branch and in the judiciary, at the initiative of the appointing authority.

After a careful restudy of the case based on another petition for reconsideration, I concur with the Secretary of Justice that respondent's separation from the prosecution service in 1955 or more than 18 years ago may be deemed sufficient punishment for the offenses committed. Considering that respondent is a member of the bar and his training and experience are in the judicial branch of the government, it is believed that he should be accorded another chance to serve in the judiciary, the field of service to which his training and experience are most pertinent.

Wherefore, and upon the recommendation of the Secretary of Justice, Administrative Order No. 147 dated October 26, 1955, as modified by Administrative Order No. 335 dated October 24, 1960, is further modified in the sense that the inhibition imposed upon Mr. Celso Avelino to hold a position in the prosecution branch and in the judiciary is hereby removed.

Done in the City of Manila, this 23rd day of April, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and sixty-nine.

By the President:


RAFAEL M. SALAS
Executive Secretary