

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES SUPREME COURT Manila

SECOND DIVISION

NOTICE

Sirs/Mesdames:

Please take notice that the Court, Second Division, issued a Resolution dated **14 June 2021** which reads as follows:

"OCA IPI No. 20-5016-RTJ (Commodity Quest, Inc., represented by Rodolfo Martin M. Panganiban v. Hon. Genie G. Gapas-Agbada, Presiding Judge, Branch 42, Regional Trial Court, Virac, Catanduanes). – The Court NOTES the: (1) complaint-affidavit¹ dated December 6, 2019 of complainant Commodity Quest, Inc., represented by Mr. Rodolfo Martin M. Panganiban (complainant), charging respondent Presiding Judge Genie G. Gapas-Agbada (respondent Judge) of the Regional Trial Court (RTC), Branch 42, Virac, Catanduanes, in her former capacity as Acting Presiding Judge, RTC, Br. 264, Pasig City, with gross ignorance of the law, knowingly rendering an unjust judgment and grave misconduct relative to Crim. Case Nos. 15984 and 15985 both entitled 'People of the Philippines vs. Maria Claudia Belinda Lim' for Qualified Theft; (2) Comment² dated March 13, 2020 of respondent Judge; and (3) Reply³ dated June 30, 2020 of complainant.

The Court **RESOLVES** to **ADOPT** and **APPROVE** the findings of fact, conclusions of law, and recommendation of the Office of the Court Administrator in the attached Report⁴ dated January 27, 2021. Accordingly, the administrative complaint against respondent Presiding Judge Genie G. Gapas-Agbada of Regional Trial Court of Virac, Catanduanes, Branch 42, in her former capacity as Acting Presiding Judge of Regional Trial Court of Pasig City, Branch 264, is hereby **DISMISSED** for raising issues which are judicial in nature.

SO ORDERED." (Lopez, J., J., designated additional member per Special Order No. 2822 dated April 7, 2021.)

¹ *Rollo*, pp. 2-17.

² Id. at 308-315.

³ Id. at 326-333.

⁴ Id. at 335-339. Signed by Court Administrator Jose Midas P. Marquez.

By authority of the Court: TERESITA **ŬINO TUAZON** Division Clerk of Court Mth. 13 JUL 2021 7/12 7/12

COURT ADMINISTRATOR Hon. Jose Midas P. Marquez (x) DEPUTY COURT ADMINISTRATOR Hon. Raul B. Villanueva (x) Hon. Jenny Lind Aldecoa-Delorino (x) Hon. Leo T. Madrazo (x) ASSISTANT COURT ADMINISTRATOR Hon. Lilian C. Baribal-Co (x) Hon. Maria Regina Adoracion Filomena M. Ignacio (x) Legal Office (x) Court Management Office (x) Fiscal Management Office (x) Docket & Clearance Division (x) Office of Administrative Services (x) Office of the Court Administrator Supreme Court, Manila

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*with copy of OCA Report dated 27 January 2021. *Please notify the Court of any change in your address.* OCA IPI No. 20-5016-RTJ. 6/14/2021(116)URES

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