

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES

Sandiganbayan

Quezon City

Second Division

The People of the Philippines,
Plaintiff,

Criminal Cases Nos. **SB-17-CRM-1148** to
SB-17-CRM-1151

-versus-

Present:
Herrera, Jr. J. *Chairperson*
Musngi, J. &
Pahimna, J.

Modesto G. Membreve, et al.
Accused.

Promulgated:
July 31, 2019

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DECISION

HERRERA, JR., J.:

Accused MODESTO G. MEMBREVE, JULIUS S. MAQUILING and OLIMPIO JAMISOLA GALAGALA, JR. are charged before the Court with four (4) counts of the crime of ***Nepotism***, defined and penalized under ***Section 59, Chapter 7, in relation to Section 67, Chapter 9, Subtitle A, Title 1, Book V of the Administrative Code of 1987***, under four (4) separate ***Informations*** dated December 6, 2016, docketed as Criminal Cases Nos. SB-17-CRM-1148, 1149, 1150 and 1151.

When the cases were called today, the three (3) accused, through counsel Atty. Eusebio M. Avila, moved that they be allowed to withdraw their earlier plea of not guilty and that they be re-arraigned. Since the prosecution did not interpose any objection, the Court granted the motion.

Upon being re-arraigned, accused Membreve, Maquiling and Galaga, Jr. informed the Court that they are waiving the reading of the ***Informations***, that they understand the charges against them, and that they are pleading guilty to the crimes charged.

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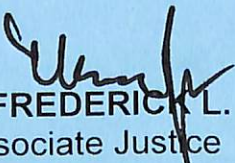
WHEREFORE, the Court finds accused Modesto G. Membreve, Julius S. Maquiling and Olimpio Jamisola Galaga, Jr. guilty beyond reasonable doubt of the crime of **Nepotism**, as charged in the **Informations** dated December 6, 2016 in Criminal Cases Nos. SB-17-CRM-1148, 1149, 1150 and 1151. Pursuant to the provisions of **Section 59**, in relation to **Section 67**, of **Executive Order No. 297**, also known as, the **Administrative Code of the Philippines of 1987**, the Court hereby sentences the three (3) accused to pay a fine of One Thousand Pesos (Php1,000.00) each in each of the four criminal cases.

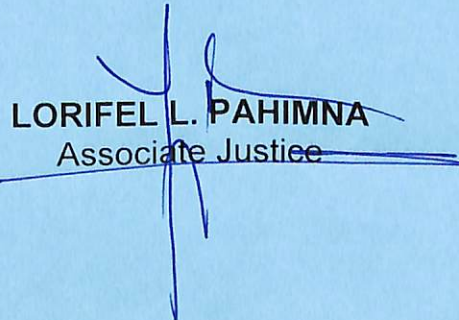
SO ORDERED.

GIVEN IN OPEN COURT this 2nd day of August 2019, Quezon City, Philippines.


OSCAR C. HERRERA, JR.
Chairperson
Associate Justice

We concur:


MICHAEL FREDERICK L. MUSNGI
Associate Justice


LORIFEL L. PAHIMNA
Associate Justice

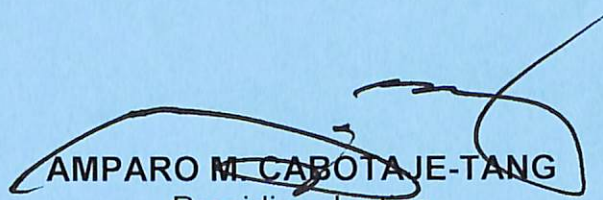
ATTESTATION

I attest that the conclusions in the above decision were reached in consultation before the case was assigned to the writer of the opinion of the Court's Division.


OSCAR C. HERRERA, JR.
Chairperson
Second Division

CERTIFICATION

Pursuant to Article VIII, Section 13 of the Constitution and the Division Chairman's Attestation, it is hereby certified that the conclusions in the above decision were reached in consultation before the case was assigned to the writer of the opinion of the Court's Division.


AMPARO M. CABOTA JE-TANG
Presiding Justice