



Republic of the Philippines
Sandiganbayan
 Quezon City

SEVENTH DIVISION

MINUTES of the proceedings held on April 27, 2018.

Present:

MA. THERESA DOLORES C. GOMEZ-ESTOESTA ----- Chairperson
ZALDY V. TRESPESES ----- Associate Justice
BAYANI H. JACINTO ----- Associate Justice*

The following resolution was adopted:

SB-17-CRM-1480 to 1482 – People v. Carlos Jose Valderrama Lopez

In his “MOTION FOR LEAVE OF COURT TO TRAVEL (TO THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA)” dated April 23, 2018 as clarified in his “MANIFESTATION AND MOTION (RE: MOTION FOR LEAVE OF COURT TO TRAVEL DATED 23 APRIL 2018)” dated April 26, 2018, accused Carlos Jose V. Lopez prays that he be allowed to travel to the United States of America (specifically, to California, New York, New Jersey and Florida) from May 11, 2018 to June 6, 2018 and to Vancouver British Columbia in Canada from June 6, 2018 to June 11, 2018.

Over the objection of the prosecution,¹ the instant motion was **GRANTED** during the hearing of the motion, subject to the usual terms and conditions imposed by the Court, to wit:

1. That his itinerary of travel shall cover only the United States of America (specifically, California, New York, New Jersey and Florida) and Canada (specifically, Vancouver BC);
2. That accused shall leave not earlier than May 11, 2018 and shall be back in the Philippines not later than June 11, 2018;
3. That the travel bond posted by him in the amount of Sixty Thousand pesos (Php 60,000.00) under O.R. No. 6261712 dated November 16, 2017 shall continue to guarantee his faithful compliance with the terms and conditions imposed herein;

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* Per Admin Order No. 284-2017 dated August 18, 2017.

¹ The prosecution’s “COMMENT/OPPOSITION (ON THE MOTION TO TRAVEL)” dated April 24, 2018.

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4. That within five days after accused's return to the Philippines, he shall present himself in person to the Division Clerk of Court, together with his passport and photocopies of the pages thereof indicating the stamp of his departure from, and entry or arrival in the Philippines, the photocopies to be authenticated by the Division Clerk of Court after a comparison with the original thereof, and to submit to this Court a written formal compliance with the terms and conditions of this Resolution within 15 days of his expected date of return;
5. That if, for whatever reason, the accused shall not be able to undertake the travel abroad as herein authorized, he shall, within five days from his expected date of return had he undertaken the same, nonetheless personally present himself to the Division Clerk of Court, together with photocopies of the pertinent pages of his passport bearing no stamp of departure from or entry into the Philippines during the relevant period, the same to be authenticated by the Division Clerk of Court after proper comparison with the passport itself and submitted together with an appropriate manifestation from the accused;
6. That any material misrepresentation made in his Motion to Travel shall be punished as contempt of this Court and shall be dealt with accordingly;
7. That he will abide faithfully with all his undertakings herein, such that any violation of the terms and conditions contained in this Resolution shall be sufficient ground for this Court to order the forfeiture of his travel bond, as well as to cause the issuance of a warrant for his arrest;
8. That notice of further proceedings hereon should he not return as undertaken, shall be made to him through his counsel on record; and
9. That if he fails to return as undertaken, trial will proceed as scheduled.

SO ORDERED. *ip*

GOMEZ-ESTOESTA, J.

TRESPESES, J.

JACINTO, J.

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