



Republic of the Philippines  
*Sandiganbayan*  
Quezon City

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SEVENTH DIVISION

*MINUTES of the proceedings held on May 11, 2018.*

*Present:*

<i>MA. THERESA DOLORES C. GOMEZ-ESTOESTA</i>	-----	<i>Associate Justice</i>
<i>ZALDY V. TRESPESES</i>	-----	<i>Associate Justice</i>
<i>BAYANI H. JACINTO*</i>	-----	<i>Associate Justice</i>

*The following resolution was adopted:*

***Crim. Cases Nos. 27753, 27755 to 27756 – People v. Alfredo Macapugay, et al.***

On April 27, 2018 the Court denied accused-movants spouses William and Rebecca Genato’s “MOTION FOR LEAVE TO TRAVEL ABROAD” for the primary reason that the cases for which they are charged are already submitted for Decision; thus, the risk that they will not return to the Philippines for promulgation of judgment is high. During the hearing of their “MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION”, however, accused-movants explained that their intended cruise will be starting from and ending in Manila; that their passports will be surrendered to the cruise personnel and that the cruise includes visa-free shore visits to Japan and Taiwan.

While the prosecution opposed the motion for reconsideration, the Court has verified that indeed no visas are being required for the shore excursions to Taiwan and Japan. This being the case, and considering that the cruise will be starting and ending in Manila, the Court perceives no great risk that accused-spouses will not return from their cruise.

Accordingly, accused-movants’ “MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION” dated May 7, 2018 is **GRANTED** over the objection of the prosecution and accused-movants William O. Genato and Rebecca G. Genato are allowed to travel to Ishigaki, Japan and Keelung, Taiwan from May 29 to June 3, 2018 subject to the usual terms and conditions imposed by the Court, to wit:

1. That their itinerary of travel shall cover only Ishigaki, Japan and Keelung, Taiwan;

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

RESOLUTION

*People v. Macapugay, et al.*

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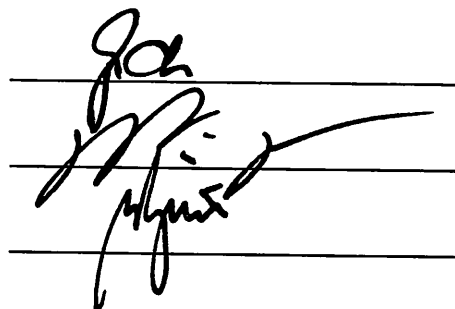
2. That accused shall leave not earlier than May 29, 2018 and shall be back in the Philippines not later than June 3, 2018;
3. That the travel bond posted by William Genato in the amount of One Hundred Twenty Thousand (Php 120,000.00) pesos and the travel bond posted by Rebecca Genato in the amount of Sixty Thousand (Php 60,000.00) pesos, shall continue to guarantee their faithful compliance with the terms and conditions imposed herein;
4. That within five days after their return, accused-movants shall advise this Court of their arrival personally and formally in writing, appending on their compliance a photocopy of their passport upon which the stamp of arrival of the Commission on Immigration and Deportation (CID) is affixed, the photocopy to be authenticated by the Clerk of Court of this Division after comparison with the original thereof, otherwise, their future petitions for authority to travel will be denied by this Court;
5. That any material misrepresentation made in their Motion to Travel shall be punished as contempt of this Court and shall be dealt with accordingly;
6. That they will abide faithfully with all their 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 their travel bond, as well as to cause the issuance of a warrant for their arrest;
7. That notice of further proceedings hereon should they not return as undertaken, shall be made to them through their counsel on record; and
8. That if they fail to return as undertaken, the proceedings in this case will continue as scheduled.

**SO ORDERED.** *ip*

**GOMEZ-ESTOESTA, J.,** *Chairperson*

**TRESPESES, J.**

**JACINTO, J.**



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