



Republic of the Philippines
Sandiganbayan
 Quezon City

SEVENTH DIVISION

MINUTES of the proceedings held on November 22, 2018.

Present:

<i>MA. THERESA DOLORES C. GOMEZ-ESTOESTA</i> -----	<i>Chairperson</i>
<i>ZALDY V. TRESPESES</i> -----	<i>Associate Justice</i>
<i>KEVIN NARCE B. VIVERO*</i> -----	<i>Associate Justice</i>

The following resolution was adopted:

SB-17-CRM-1657 to 1664 – People v. Rustico Tigas De Belen, et al.

In his “MOTION FOR LEAVE TO TRAVEL ABROAD” dated November 15, 2018, accused **Rustico T. De Belen** prays that he be allowed to travel to New Jersey and New York, United States of America (USA) from December 18, 2018 to January 2, 2019 and while there, he will be staying at 69 Wildflower Lane, Morristown, New Jersey, 07960.

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

1. That his itinerary of travel shall cover only **New Jersey and New York, USA;**
2. That accused shall leave not earlier than **December 18, 2018** and shall be back in the Philippines not later than **January 2, 2019;**
3. That the travel bond posted by him in the amount of Two Hundred Forty Thousand pesos (Php 240,000.00) under O.R. No. 5497275V dated May 31, 2018 shall continue to guarantee his faithful compliance with the terms and conditions imposed herein;
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

* In lieu of J. Hidalgo who is on wellness and vacation leave (A.O. No. 564-2018) dated November 22, 2018.

¹ Done in open court.

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and conditions of this Resolution within 15 days of his expected date of return;

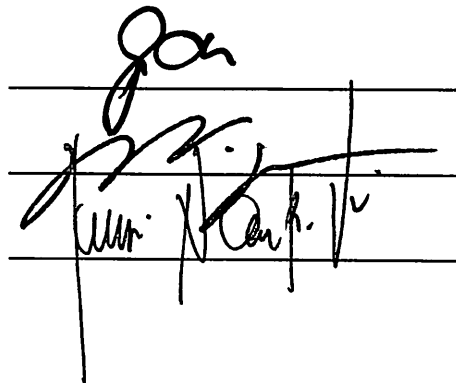
5. That if, for whatever reason, the accused shall not be able to undertake the travel abroad as herein authorized, he shall, within five days from his expected date of return had he undertaken the same, nonetheless personally present himself to the Division Clerk of Court, together with photocopies 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.

GOMEZ-ESTOESTA, J., Chairperson

TRESPESES, J.

VIVERO, J.



The image shows three handwritten signatures written over three horizontal lines. The top signature is 'Gomez-Estoesta', the middle is 'Trespeses', and the bottom is 'Vivero'. The signatures are written in black ink and are somewhat stylized.