MALACAÑANG MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 45

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF MUNICIPAL JUDGE RODOLFO S. AZANZA OF MANDAON, MASBATE, FOR RECONSIDERATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 132-A DATED AUGUST 27, 1965.

Under Administrative Order No. 132-A dated August 27, 1965, Mr. Rodolfo S. Azanza was considered resigned and separated from office as municipal judge of Mandaon, Masbate, for gross negligence and inefficiency in the disposition and trial of cases in his court.

Respondent filed a request for reconsideration on the ground that the penalty meted out to him was too severe for the offenses committed. Upon a careful study of the records of the case, and considering the extent of respondent's neglect in the performance of his official duties which clearly indicates his unfitness for the bench, I am of the opinion that respondent does not deserve to be returned to the service.

Wherefore, his petition for reconsideration is hereby denied. Considering, however, his length of service in the government, Administrative Order No. 132-A dated August 27, 1965, is hereby modified in the sense that the separation of Mr. Rodolfo Azanza as municipal judge of Mandaon, Masbate, shall be without prejudice to his receiving whatever benefits he may be entitled to under the law.

Done in the City of Manila, this 29thday of March, year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and sixty-seven.

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By the President:

RAFAEL M. SALAS Executive Secretary