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Republic of the Philippines Supreme Court Manila

## **FIRST DIVISION**

## NOTICE

Sirs/Mesdames:

Please take notice that the Court, First Division, issued a Resolution dated October 9, 2019 which reads as follows:

"G.R. No. 192381 (HEIRS OF CONCEPCION VDA. DE VIDAL, et al., Petitioners, v. A.C. AGUILA & SONS, et al., Respondents.) – We dismiss this petition for failure of the petitioners to prove that the Court of Appeals (CA) committed grave abuse of discretion in rendering its August 28, 2009 Decision<sup>1</sup> and May 27, 2010 Resolution<sup>2</sup> in CA-G.R. CV No. 87876.

The petitioners should be reminded that a petition for *certiorari* is not a substitute for a lost appeal, especially when it is the party's own negligence or error in the choice of remedy which occasioned such loss.<sup>3</sup> Here, the petitioners evidently resorted to a petition for *certiorari* when it failed to timely file its petition for review under Rule 45 of the Rules of Court even after having filed two motions for extensions to file a petition for review. As such, the assailed August 28, 2009 decision and May 27, 2010 resolution of the CA in CA-G.R. CV No. 87876 have already attained finality.

WHEREFORE, the Court DISMISSES the petition for *certiorari*; and AFFIRMS the August 28, 2009 Decision and May 27, 2010 Resolution of the Court of Appeals in CA-G.R. CV No. 87876.

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<sup>1</sup> *Rollo*, pp. 141-161; penned by Associate Justice Priscilla J. Baltazar-Padilla, with the concurrence of Associate Justice Celia C. Librea-Leagogo and Associate Justice Normandie B. Pizarro.

<sup>2</sup> Id. at 162-168; penned by Associate Justice Priscilla J. Baltazar-Padilla, with the concurrence of Associate Justice Vicente S.E. Veloso and Associate Justice Celia C. Librea-Leagogo.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Home Development Mutual Fund (HDMF) v. See, G.R. No. 170292, June 22, 2011, 652 SCRA 478, 488.

Very truly yours,

UENA **LIBRA** Division Clerk of Court 162

Court of Appeals (x) Manila (CA-G.R. CV No. 87876)

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. RESOLUTION

SO ORDERED."

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