

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES SUPREME COURT Manila

SECOND DIVISION

NOTICE

Sirs/Mesdames:

Please take notice that the Court, Second Division, issued a Resolution dated **12 October 2020** which reads as follows:

"G.R. No. 248778 (People of the Philippines v. Arlan C. Dacula). – The Court NOTES the letter dated 30 September 2020 of CTCInsp. Albert C. Manalo, Officer-in-Charge, Inmate Documents and Processing Division, Bureau of Corrections, Muntinlupa City, confirming the confinement of accused-appellant Arlan C. Dacula (accused-appellant) at the said institution since 29 June 2018.

After a judicious study of the case, the Court resolves to **DISMISS** the appeal¹ for failure to sufficiently show that the Court of Appeals (CA) committed any reversible error in the assailed Decision as to warrant the exercise of the Court's appellate jurisdiction.

WHEREFORE, the Court ADOPTS the findings of fact and conclusions of law in the June 21, 2019 Decision² of the CA in CA-G.R. CR-HC No. 01958-MIN and AFFIRMS said Decision finding accused-appellant Arlan C. Dacula GUILTY beyond reasonable doubt of the crimes of Illegal Sale and Illegal Possession of Dangerous Drugs, defined and penalized under Sections 5 and 11, respectively, Article II of Republic Act No. 9165, otherwise known as the 'Comprehensive Dangerous Drugs Act of 2002.' Accordingly, he is sentenced to suffer the following penalties: (a) in Criminal Case No. CrC 367-2017, for the crime of Illegal Sale of Dangerous Drugs, the penalty of life imprisonment and to pay a fine in the amount of \mathbb{P} 500,000.00; and (b) in Criminal Case No. CrC 368-2017, for the crime of Illegal Possession of Dangerous Drugs, the penalty of imprisonment for an indeterminate period of twelve (12) years and one (1) day of *reclusion temporal*, as minimum, to thirteen (13) years of *reclusion temporal*, as maximum, and to pay a fine of \mathbb{P} 300,000.00.

SO ORDERED. (Baltazar-Padilla, J., on leave.)"

¹ See Notice of Appeal dated July 5, 2019; *rollo*, pp. 32-33.

 ² Id. at 5-31. Penned by Associate Justice Walter S. Ong with Associate Justices Edgardo A. Camello and Florencio M. Mamauag, Jr., concurring.

By authority of the Court:

TERESITA OUINO TUAZON Division Clerk of Court Uhi II/io 10 NOV 2020

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