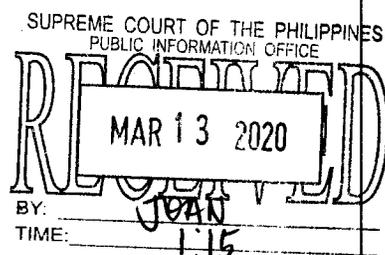




Republic of the Philippines
Supreme Court
Manila



THIRD DIVISION

NOTICE

Sirs/Mesdames:

Please take notice that the Court, Third Division, issued a Resolution dated February 19, 2020, which reads as follows:

“G.R. No. 228250 (PEOPLE OF THE PHILIPPINES, *plaintiff-appellee* v. ISAGANI “WENG” PUZON, *accused-appellant*). — The Court of Appeals elevated¹ the records of this case to this Court pursuant to its August 17, 2016 Resolution,² which gave due course to the Notice of Appeal³ filed by accused-appellant Isagani “Weng” Puzon.

In its January 23, 2017 Resolution,⁴ this Court noted the records of this case forwarded by the Court of Appeals and required the parties to file their respective supplemental briefs.

In its July 31, 2017 Resolution,⁵ this Court noted the separate Manifestations filed by the Office of the Solicitor General,⁶ on behalf of plaintiff-appellee People of the Philippines, and accused-appellant,⁷ stating that they would no longer file supplemental briefs.

After an evaluation of the case records, this Court resolves to dismiss the appeal of accused-appellant for his failure to sufficiently show any reversible error in the assailed Decision⁸ of the Court of Appeals as to warrant the exercise of this Court’s appellate jurisdiction.

WHEREFORE, the Court of Appeals’ March 16, 2016 Decision in CA-G.R. CR-HC No. 06975 is **AFFIRMED with MODIFICATIONS**. Accused-appellant Isagani “Weng” Puzon is found **GUILTY** beyond

¹ *Rollo*, p. 1. The case records were elevated on December 5, 2016.

² *Id.* at 23.

³ *Id.* at 19–22.

⁴ *Id.* at 26–27.

⁵ *Id.* at 46–47.

⁶ *Id.* at 28–32.

⁷ *Id.* at 41–45.

⁸ *Id.* at 2–18. The Decision was penned by Associate Justice Ramon A. Cruz and concurred in by Associate Justices Marlene Gonzales-Sison and Henri Jean Paul B. Inting (now a member of this Court) of the Seventeenth Division, Court of Appeals, Manila.

reasonable doubt of three (3) counts of qualified rape, punished under Article 266-B of the Revised Penal Code, and is sentenced for each count to suffer the penalty of *reclusion perpetua* without eligibility for parole. Furthermore, for each count, he is **ORDERED** to pay AAA civil indemnity, moral damages, and exemplary damages worth ₱100,000.00 each.⁹

All damages awarded shall be subject to interest at the rate of six percent (6%) per annum from the finality of this Resolution until their full satisfaction.¹⁰

SO ORDERED.”

Very truly yours,

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⁹ *People v. Jugueta*, 783 Phil. 806 (2016) [Per J. Peralta, En Banc].

¹⁰ *Nacar v. Gallery Frames*, 716 Phil. 267 (2013) [Per J. Peralta, En Banc].