

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES SUPREME COURT Manila

SECOND DIVISION

N O T I C E

Sirs/Mesdames:

Please take notice that the Court, Second Division, issued a Resolution dated **18 January 2021** which reads as follows:

"G.R. No. 246323 (People of the Philippines v. Danilo Junio, Jr. y Belwar). – After a review of the records, the Court resolves to DISMISS the appeal for failure of Danilo Junio, Jr. y Belwar (appellant) to sufficiently show that the Court of Appeals (CA) committed any reversible error in its Decision¹ dated November 23, 2018, in CA-G.R. CR-HC No. 09850, which affirmed the July 25, 2017 Decision² of the Regional Trial Court of Antipolo City, Branch 100, in Criminal Case No. 13-47249, finding him guilty beyond reasonable doubt of the crime of Murder, and sentencing him with the penalty of reclusion perpetua.

Appellant assails the decision of the CA arguing, among others, that treachery was not attendant in the commission of the crime.

There are two (2) requirements in order that treachery may be appreciated: (1) the victim was in no position to defend himself or herself when attacked; and (2) the assailant consciously and deliberately adopted the methods, means, or form of one's attack against the victim.³ Having shown that both elements of treachery exist in this case, the conviction for murder is proper.

¹ *Rollo*, pp. 3-14; penned by Associate Justice Rodil V. Zalameda (now a Member of this Court) with Associate Justices Fernanda Lampas Peralta and Marie Christine Azcarraga-Jacob, concurring.

² CA rollo, pp. 44-50; penned by Presiding Judge Ma. Consejo Gengos-Ignalaga.

³ People v. Albina, 830 Phil. 352, 361 (2018).

WHEREFORE, the Court DISMISSES the appeal and AFFIRMS in *toto* the Decision dated November 23, 2018 of the Court of Appeals in CA-G.R. CR-HC No. 09850. Appellant is hereby ordered to pay the heirs of the victim the amounts of P30,000.00 as actual damages, P75,000.00 as civil indemnity, P75,000.00 as moral damages and P75,000.00 as exemplary damages. The monetary awards shall earn interest at the rate of six percent (6%) *per annum* from the finality of this Resolution until fully paid.⁴

SO ORDERED. (Rosario, *J.*, designated additional member per Special Order No. 2797 dated November 5, 2020; on official leave)"

By authority of the Court:

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⁴ Nacar v. Gallery Frames, 716 Phil. 267 (2013).