

Republic of the Philippines
SANDIGANBAYAN
Quezon City

Second Division

People of the Philippines,
Plaintiff,

Crim. Cases Nos. SB-18-CRM-0110 to
SB-18-CRM-0112

-versus-

Present:
Herrera, Jr. J.
*Vivero, J. &
*Fernandez, J.

Anthony Isidro Bromo Bayawa III,
Accused.

Promulgated:

September 10, 2018

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DECISION

HERRERA, JR., J:

Accused ANTHONY ISIDRO BROMO BAYAWA III is charged before the Court with three (3) counts of ***Violation of Article 218 of the Revised Penal Code, or Failure Of An Accountable Officer To Render Accounts***, under three (3) separate ***Informations*** all dated October 9, 2017 filed by the Office of the Ombudsman.

When the cases were called on September 7, 2018, accused Bayawa, who is a lawyer, moved that he be allowed to withdraw his earlier plea of not guilty to the charges against him, and that he be re-arraigned. Since the prosecution did not interpose any objection, the Court granted the motion.

Upon being re-arraigned, accused Bayawa manifested that he is waving the reading of the ***Informations*** in these cases, that he understands the nature and cause of the accusations against him, and that he is entering a plea of guilty to the charges.

WHEREFORE, premises considered, judgment is hereby rendered finding accused Anthony Isidro Bromo Bayawa III guilty beyond reasonable

* Sitting as Special Member as per Administrative Order No. 444-2018, dated September 4, 2018
* Sitting as Special Member as per Administrative Order No. 464-2018, dated September 10, 2018

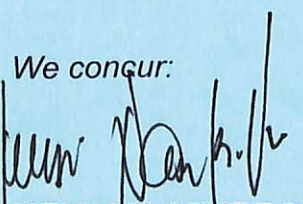
doubt of three (3) counts of **Violation of Article 218 of the Revised Penal Code, or Failure Of An Accountalbe Officer To Render Accounts**, as charged in the three (3) separate **Informations** dated October 9, 2017, docketed as Criminal Cases Nos. SB-18-CRM-0110, SB-18-CRM-0111 and SB-18-CRM-0112. Accused Bayawa is hereby sentenced to pay a fine of One Thousand Pesos (P1,000) in each of the three (3) aforementioned criminal cases, or a total of P3,000.

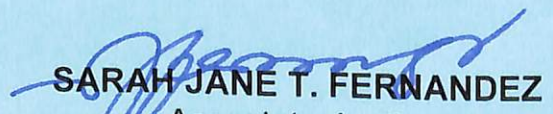
The Hold Departure Order (HDO) issued in these cases against accused Bayawa is hereby ordered lifted and set aside. The Bureau of Immigration is ordered to remove his name in its hold departure list, insofar as these cases are concerned.

The Court also authorizes the release to accused Bayawa of the amount of ₱6,000 deposited in each of the three (3) cases, or a total of ₱18,000.

SO ORDERED.



OSCAR C. HERRERA, JR.
Chairperson

We concur:

KEVIN N. VIVERO
Associate Justice


SARAH JANE T. FERNANDEZ
Associate Justice

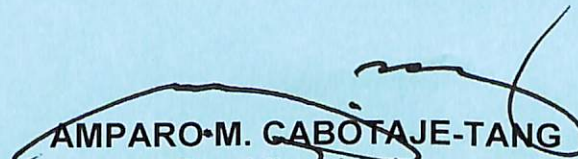
ATTESTATION

I attest that the conclusions in the above decision were reached in consultation before the case was assigned to the writer of the opinion of the Court's Division.


OSCAR C. HERRERA, JR.
Chairman
Second Division

CERTIFICATION

Pursuant to Article VIII, Section 13 of the Constitution and the Division Chairman's Attestation, it is hereby certified that the conclusions in the above decision were reached in consultation before the case was assigned to the writer of the opinion of the Court's Division.


AMPARO M. CABOTAJE-TANG
Presiding Justice

