



**EDILBERTO G. SANDOVAL**  
Special Prosecutor

A retired Presiding Justice and the Chairman of Second Division Sandiganbayan. A well-known professor of Criminal Law, he obtained his Associate in Arts degree (with High Honors) and Bachelor of Laws Cum Laude (Valedictorian) from Far Eastern University. He undertook special post graduate training course in Harvard University, Boston, USA in June 2006.

Justice Sandoval started his career in the judiciary in 1983 when he was appointed by President Ferdinand Marcos, as Judge of the Regional Trial Court of Oriental Mindoro (Branch 42), then appointed by President Corazon Aquino as Judge of Regional Trial Court of Manila (Branch 9), and then as Associate Justice of Sandiganbayan, appointed by President Fidel V. Ramos. Eventually, President Benigno Aquino appointed him as Presiding Justice of the Sandiganbayan in September 2010.

During his ten-year stint as RTC Judge of Manila, Justice Sandoval was named as the Most Outstanding Regional Trial Court Judge of Manila for three consecutive years (1991-1994). After serving ten years in Manila, Justice Sandoval was appointed as Associate Justice of Sandiganbayan on March 11, 1996. He was nominated for the position of Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, the only non-Supreme Court Justice then who has been nominated for the position by the Judicial and Bar Council.

Justice Sandoval is a professor and bar reviewer in Criminal Law at the University of Santo Tomas, Ateneo de Manila, Far Eastern University (FEU), University of the East (UE), Arellano University, Jose Rizal University (JRU) Philippine Christian University (PCU) and De La Salle University (DLSU). He was a member of the Corps of Professors and the Head of the Criminal Law Department of the Philippine Judicial Academy, a post he has held since 2000. He was appointed by the Supreme Court as Bar Examiner three (3) times, in Criminal Law in the 1993 Bar Examinations, Legal and Judicial Ethics in the 1998 Bar Examinations and in Criminal Law again in the 2009 Bar Examinations.

He is the author of Pointers in Criminal Law and Revised Penal Code (Book II). After five (5) years of retirement, he opted to rejoin the Government service, and was appointed Special Prosecutor of the Office of the Ombudsman on June 28, 2017 by President Rodrigo R. Duterte, a position with a seven-year term. As such, his objective is to carry to its successful conclusion the prosecution of cases pending before the Sandiganbayan against high Government Officials.

Justice Sandoval is happily married to Mrs. Pelagia C. Sandoval, a retired Public School Principal of Col. De Leon Elementary School in Multi-National Subdivision, Parañaque City. He has three (3) children, Atty. Shy Marie C. Sandoval an Assistant City Prosecutor of Calamba City, Laguna, Atty. Rex Reynaldo C. Sandoval a Practitioner of Law, and Dra. Maria Teresita a Medical Practitioner.