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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF GUAM

IN RE:
PETER R. SGRO, JR.,

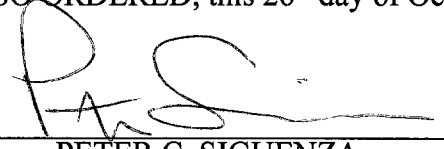
Respondent.

Supreme Court Case No. ADC00-003


ORDER

This matter comes before the court pursuant to the a Stipulated Order for Discipline by Consent, received on October 25, 2000 with an incorrect case number. The Stipulated Order was subsequently signed and issued by this court on October 25, 2000 in case number ADC00-002. The order was stricken and removed from ADC00-002 and shall be attached and filed in the instant case.

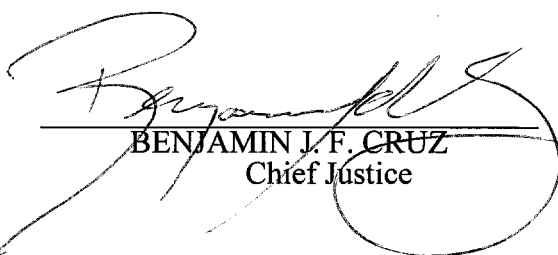
SO ORDERED, this 26th day of October, 2000.



PETER C. SIGUENZA
Associate Justice



JOHN A. MANGLONA
Associate Justice (Designated)



BENJAMIN J.F. CRUZ
Chief Justice

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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF GUAM

IN RE:

SUPREME COURT CASE NO.
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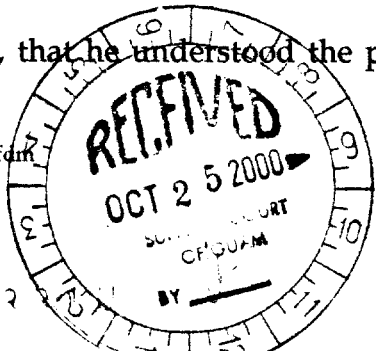
PETER R. SGRO, JR., ESQ.,

STIPULATED ORDER FOR
DISCIPLINE BY CONSENT

Respondent.

This matter came before the Guam Bar Ethics Committee for a trial on the merits on October 14, 2000. Present were Acting Chairperson Vincent Leon Guerrero, and Committee members Mitchell E. Thompson, Arthur Barcinas and Sandra Cruz. Also present were Respondent, representing himself, and Prosecuting Counsel, David J. Highsmith, Esq. Respondent Peter R. Sgro, Jr. made an offer pursuant to Rule 17(a) of the Supreme Court's Rules Governing Attorney Discipline, and the Committee, with a few modifications, accepted said offer. Mr. Leon Guerrero then made the inquiries required by Rule 17(d). Respondent answered that he understood the charges against him, that he understood the proposed disposition, that he was waiving his right to a

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trial before the Committee and a review by the Supreme Court of Guam, and that he was admitting to an ethics violation under Rule 17 of his own volition and without coercion. The Committee unanimously accepted Respondent's admission and offer under Rule 17 and then ordered as follows:

1. Peter R. Sgro, Jr., on September 27, 1997, violated Model Rule of Professional Conduct 3.5(b) by appearing ex parte before Judge Francis Tydingco-Gatewood of the Superior Court of Guam without giving the proper notice to opposing counsel required by Guam Rule of Civil Procedure 65(b) and Superior Court Rule 9. This case was SP0294-97 in the Superior Court and was later removed to the District Court of Guam where it became Civil Case No. CV97-0067, Government of Guam v. United States Fish and Wildlife Service, et al.

2. Respondent is hereby given a Public Reprimand.

3. Pursuant to Rule 10 of the Supreme Court's Rules Governing Attorney Discipline, Respondent shall pay the sum of Five Hundred Dollars [US\$500.00] for costs incurred and the sum of Five Thousand Dollars [US\$5,000.00] for attorney's fees incurred by the Guam Bar Ethics Committee. Payment shall be made at the rate of no less than Five Hundred Dollars [US\$500.00] per month. Payment shall be made at the office of the Guam Bar Association President. The current president is Joaquin C. Arriola, Jr. and his address is Arriola, Cowan & Arriola; Suite 201, 259 Martyr Street, Hagåtña, Guam 96910.

4. Respondent shall obey any orders which may be imposed on him as discipline by the District Court of Guam for his conduct in Civil Case No. CV97-0067.

5. In order to comply with Rule 12(d), Prosecuting Counsel shall release a copy of this order to the Guam Variety newspaper when the order becomes final.

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full true and correct copy of the original on file in the office of the clerk of the Supreme Court, Guam.
Dated at Agaña, Guam
10/25/2000



JOHN A. MANGLONA
~~PHILIP CARRULLIDO~~
Associate Justice
Supreme Court of Guam

Dated: October 25, 2000

SO STIPULATED:



DAVID J. HIGHSMITH
Prosecuting Counsel

Dated: 10/24/00


VINCENT LEON GUERRERO
GBEC, Acting Chairperson

Dated: 10/25/00

SO ORDERED:



BENJAMIN J.F. CRUZ, JR.
Chief Justice, Supreme Court of Guam

Dated: _____

PETER C. SIGUENZA
Associate Justice
Supreme Court of Guam

Dated: _____



PETER R. SGRO, JR.
Respondent

Dated: 10/23/00