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REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES, represented by the Regional Executive Director, Region IV-B (MIMAROPA) of the DEPARTMENT OF **ENVIRONMENT** AND NATURAL RESOURCES, Plaintiff,

Civil Case No. 3950

FOR: Annulment of Patent, Cancellation of Title and/or Reversion

- versus -

NELLIE O. CASTRO and the REGISTRAR OF DEEDS OF PALAWAN,

Defendants.

MOTION TO REVIVE CASE

PLAINTIFF REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES, represented by the DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES (DENR) Region IV-B (MIMAROPA), through the Office of the Solicitor General (OSG) and unto this Honorable Court, respectfully states:

1. Per this Honorable Court's Order dated December 16, 2004,¹ the instant case was sent to the archives without prejudice to its revival on the ground that summons has not been served to the defendants for an unreasonable length of time because no transportation fees, facilities or sheriff's fees were provided by plaintiff to effect personal service of summons.

¹ Annex "A."

2. On December 20, 2019, the OSG sent to the DENR Region IV-B a Letter dated December 20, 2019² inquiring whether it is still interested in pursuing the case.

3. Consequently, on November 11, 2022, the OSG received the DENR Region IV-B's Letter Reply dated October 7, 2022³ stating its interest in reviving the case and its willingness to provide the necessary arrangements to address the lack of transportation provisions to personally serve the summons to the defendants.

4. In view thereof, plaintiff hereby respectfully moves for the revival of the case with an undertaking to coordinate with the Court's Sheriff for the personal service of summons.

5. The instant Motion is not intended to delay the disposition of this case, much less trifle with the generosity and magnanimity of this Honorable Court.

PRAYER

WHEREFORE, premises considered, it is respectfully prayed of this Honorable Court that the instant case **BE REVIVED.**

Other forms of relief just and equitable under the premises are likewise prayed for.

Makati City, for Puerto Princesa City, November 24, 2022.

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² Annex "B."

³ Annex "C."

MOTION TO REVIVE CASE Republic, rep. by the Regional Executive Director, Region IV-B, DENR v. Nellie O. Castro and the Registrar of Deeds of Palawan CIVIL CASE NO. 3950

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NELLIE O. CASTRO and the REGISTRAR OF DEEDS OF

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versus

Defendant.

Plaintiff.

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ORDER

The record of this case shows that the summons has not been served to the defendants for an unreasonable length of time for reasons that no transportation fees are provided for the Sheriff as this Office has no appropriations for this purpose, and considering further the fact that despite coordination and follow-up with the DENR for provision for proper service of summons yet said office is unable to provide transportation facilities or expenses for personal service of summons nor sheriff's fees as the distance involves more than 100 kilometers from Puerto Princesa City to the municipality where the defendants reside, thus, it is burdensome on the part of the Court Sheriff; and

In view of the foregoing, let the record of the case be sent to the ARCHIVES without prejudice to its revival in order that the case may not appear pending for indefinite period of time.

SO ORDERED.

Puerto Princesa City, December 16, 2004

Copy furnished:

Office of the Solicitor General -Office of the Clerk of Court -Nellie O. Castro - Iraan, Aborian, Palawan -Office of the Court Administrator -

ANNEX

Republic of the Philippines Office of the Solicitor Beneral

December 20, 2019 HENRY A. ADORNADO Regional Executive Director Department of Environment and Natural Resources - Region VI-B L&S Bldg, 1515 Roxas Boulevard, Malate, Manila 40 REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES, represented by the RE: Q Regional Executive Director, Region IV-B (MIMAROPA), DENR petitioner v. Nellie O. Castro and The Register of Deeds of Palawan, defendants. **RTC-Branch 51**, Puerto Princesa City FOR: Annulment of Patent, Cancellation of Title and/or Reversion --x X-----

Sir:

GREETINGS!

To recall, per RTC Order dated December 16, 2004,¹ the above-captioned case was sent to the archives without prejudice to its revival, the reason being the lack of transportation provisions and/or facilities necessary for proper service of summons nor sheriff's fees, despite the RTC's coordination and follow-up with the DENR.

In view thereof, the Office of the Solicitor General, through the undersigned State Solicitor, would like to inquire whether the DENR is still interested in reviving the case. Accordingly, we are requesting your good office to provide information on the current whereabouts of defendant Nellie O. Castro.

For your information, guidance and immediate action. Thank you.

Verv trulv vour JESSICA G. GUMOP-AS-TIROL State Solicito/

Noted by:

MAGTANGGOL M. CASTRO Assistant Solicitor General

¹ Annex "A."

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Sir:

Greetings!

This refers to the inquiry of State Solicitor Jessica G. Gumop-as-Tirol whether our Office is still interested in reviving the above-entitled case.

We confirm that we would like to revive the case. Further, we are willing to make the necessary arrangements to address the lack of transportation provisions and/or facilities necessary for the proper service of summons and sheriff's fees.

We look forward to your usual support in our Office's aim of continuous prosecution of environmental cases.

Respectfully yours,

LORMELYN E. CLAUDIO, CESO IV Regional Executive Director



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