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| 5 | IN RE:) Supreme Court Case No.ADC09-005 | |
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| 7 | DANILO AGUILAR,) ORDER | |
| 8 | This matter comes before the court on a Stipulated Recommendation for Summary | |
| 9 | Suspension, filed by the Guam Bar Ethics Committee on September 3, 2010, and signed by | |
| 10 | Respondent Danilo Aguilar, Peter C. Perez, counsel for Aguilar, and Bruce A. Bradley, | |
| | Prosecuting Counsel. Aguilar has entered a guilty plea to an information charging him with two | |
| 11 | counts of money laundering in violation of 18 U.S.C. 8 1956(a)(l)(B)(i), and has been sentenced | |
| 12 | according to the terms of his plea agreement. | |
| 13 | Pursuant to Rule 13 of the Supreme Court's Rules for the Discipline of Attorneys, and | |
| 14 | based on the Stipulation, the court hereby ORDERS that Danilo Aguilar shall be immediately | |
| | summarily suspended from the practice of law. Further pursuant to the Stipulation, this Order as | |
| 15 | well as the Stipulation filed on September 3, 2010, shall be unsealed. The Stipulation is attached | |
| 16 | hereto and its terms are incorporated in this Order. | |
| 17 | The parties are further ordered to show cause in writing no later than Friday, September | |
| 18 | 17, 2010, why all prior filings in ADC09-005 should not be unsealed. | |
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| 19 | SO ORDERED this /b day of September, 2010, nunc pro tunc to September 3, 2010. | |
| 20 | Jatherine A. Maraman | |
| 21 | F. PHILIP CARBULLIDO KATHERINE A. MARAMAN | |
| 22 | Associate Justice Associate Justice | |
| 23 | I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full true and correct copy of the original on ROBERT J. TORRES ROBERT J. TORRES I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full true and correct copy of the original on the superiority in the office of the clerk of the Supreme Court of Suam | |
| 24 | Chief Justice SE? 10 2010 | |
| | By: IMELDA B. DUENAS | |
| | Assistant Clerk of Court Supreme Court of Guam | |

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GUAM BAR ETHICS COMMITTEE

Office of the Ethics Prosecutor Judicial Center Building, Second Floor Hagåtña, Guam 96910



IN THE SUPREME COURT OF GUAM

IN RE:

DANILO AGUILAR,

Respondent.

SUPREME COURT CASE NO. ADC09-005 ETHICS COMPLAINT NO. EC09-028

STIPULATED RECOMMENDATION FOR SUMMARY SUSPENSION

[SUBMITTED UNDER SEAL]

Pursuant to this Court's order of January 8, 2010 this proceeding is sealed.

- 1. By Plea Agreement, Respondent herein has entered a guilty plea to an information charging Respondent with two counts of money laundering in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1956(a)(1)(B)(i). A copy of the Plea Agreement is attached hereto as Exhibit A. Respondent has been sentenced in accordance with the terms of said Plea Agreement.
- 2. Pursuant to Rule 13 of the Supreme Court of Guam's Rules for the Discipline of Attorneys, the parties hereto stipulate to Respondent's immediate summary suspension from the practice of law. Therefore it is mutually recommended that an order immediately issue from this Court summarily suspending Respondent from the practice of law effective September 3, 2010 and that this Stipulation and any order issued by this Court granting the Stipulation be unsealed. All other Orders sealing these proceedings would remain in effect.
- 3. Respondent acknowledges that absent the present Rule 13(a)(4)(iii) would provide him with the opportunity to be heard in the context of an order to show cause proceedings and Respondent expressly waives such opportunity.
 - 4. Pursuant to Rule 19 of the Supreme Court of Guam's Rules for the Discipline of

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are fully and properly protected.

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30 days of such order.

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In Re: Danilo Aguilar

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Respondent

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Supreme Court Case No. ADC09-005, Ethics Complaint No. EC09-028 Stipulated Recommendation for Summary Suspension [Submitted Under Seal]

once in the Marianas Variety newspaper informing the public of Respondent's summary suspension and indicating that the order has issued due to Respondent's guilty plea and conviction. Prosecuting counsel shall coordinate the preparation and publishing of the notices and shall submit a statement of costs to the Supreme Court of Guam which will issue an order thereafter requiring Respondent to reimburse the Judiciary for the cost of the publications within

Attorneys, Respondent avers that counsel need not be appointed by the Court because a

responsible party, attorney Edward Han, Esq., is capable of conducting Respondent's affairs and

has agreed to do so. Respondent expressly agrees that he will fully cooperate with the attorney

during the period of Respondent's summary suspension to ensure that the interests of his clients

Notice shall be published on Guam once in the Pacific Daily News newspaper and

- Respondent shall be responsible for reimbursing the Judiciary of Guam for 6. attorneys fees and costs related to preparation of the present stipulation which must be paid by Respondent within 30 days of this Court's issuance of an order approving such fees and costs.
- 7. Respondent shall, in writing, notify the appropriate authorities in all other jurisdictions where he is licensed to practice law of his summary suspension within 30 days of the order and shall provide copies of all such writings to prosecuting counsel.

Respectfully submitted 3rd day of September, 2010. By:

BRUCE A. BRADLEÑ Prosecuting Counsel

By: DANILO AGUII

PETER C. PEREZ

Respondent's Counsel

Exhibit A

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF GUAM

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Criminal Case No. Plaintiff, PLEA AGREEMENT Defendant.

Pursuant to Fed. R. Crim. P. 11(c)(1)(A) & (C), the United States ("Government") and Danilo T. AGUILAR ("Defendant"), enter into this plea agreement ("Agreement"). Pursuant to this Agreement, the Government will accept Defendant's guilty plea to Counts One and Two of the Information charging him with Laundering of Monetary Instruments, in violation of Title 18, Section 1956(a)(1)(B)(i), under the terms set forth in the following paragraphs.

GENERAL MATTERS

Sole Prosecuting Authority: Except as otherwise provided in this 1. Agreement, it is understood that this Agreement does not bind any federal, state, or local prosecuting authority other than the United States Attorney's Office for the Districts of Guam and the Northern Mariana Islands ("Office"). This Office will, however, bring the cooperation of the Defendant to the attention of other prosecuting offices, if requested by him.

2. Agreement Not Contingent Upon Any Outcome: It is understood that this Agreement is not contingent in any way upon the outcome of any investigation, proceeding, or trial. None of the rights and obligations set out in this Agreement depend on a grand jury returning an indictment, a jury's verdict at any trial, or the success of any prosecution.

3. <u>Prosecution For Tax Violations:</u> This Agreement does not and cannot protect Defendant from prosecutions for criminal tax violations. However, if Defendant fully complies with this Agreement, no testimony or other information provided by the Defendant (or any information directly or indirectly derived therefrom) will be used against Defendant in any criminal tax prosecution.

CHARGES AND SENTENCING

- 4. <u>Charges:</u> Pursuant to Fed. R. Crim. P. 7(b) and 11(c), the Defendant agrees to plead guilty to Counts One and Two of the Information charging him with Laundering of Monetary Instruments, in violation of Title 18, Section 1956(a)(1)(B)(i).
- 5. Elements of the Offense: Defendant has been advised and understands that the crimes to which he is pleading guilty have distinct elements or parts, and that if the Defendant were to proceed to trial, the Government would have to prove each element of each offense beyond a reasonable doubt. In order to establish violations of Title 18, Section 1956(a)(1)(B)(i), Laundering of Monetary Instruments, as charged in Counts One and Two of the Information, the Government would have to prove each of the following elements beyond a reasonable doubt to the satisfaction of a jury:
 - That on or about May 14, 2009 (Count One) and May 15, 2009
 (Count Two), in the District of the Northern Mariana Islands, the
 Defendant conducted financial transactions involving property that
 represented proceeds of mail fraud;
 - ii. The Defendant knew that the property represented proceeds of mail fraud; and

- iii. The Defendant knew that the transaction was designed in whole or in part to conceal or disguise the location, source, ownership, or control of the proceeds of mail fraud.
- 6. <u>Maximum Penalties:</u> 18 U.S.C. § 1956(a)(1)(B)(i), Laundering of Monetary Instruments, is punishable by a fine of not more than \$500,000.00 or twice the value of the property involved in the transaction, whichever is greater, or imprisonment for not more than twenty years, or both.
- 7. Sentence to Be Decided By the Court: The Defendant has been advised and understands that pursuant to Fed. R. Crim. P. 11(c)(1)(C), the parties have agreed that a specific sentence is the appropriate disposition of this case. In the event that the Court rejects the agreement, the Defendant may withdraw his plea of guilty, pursuant to Fed. R. Crim. P. 11(d)(2)(A). The sentence agreed upon by the parties is 60 months of probation, on such terms and conditions as set forth herein, in addition to any additional fines, penalties, terms and/or conditions imposed by the Court.

GOVERNMENT'S CONCESSIONS

- 8. <u>Consideration:</u> In exchange for Defendant's concessions, the Government agrees to the following:
- i. Agreement Under Rule 11(c)(1)(A): Except as set forth in Paragraph 3 above (regarding criminal tax violations), should the Defendant fully comply with the terms of this Agreement, the Government agrees that it will not seek additional charges against the Defendant for crimes arising from his participation in those events described in the factual stipulation below. This Agreement does not provide any protection against prosecution for any crimes except as set forth herein.
- ii. Agreement Under Rule 11(c)(1)(C): The Government agrees to recommend the sentence described herein, and shall recommend to the Court that it impose a fine which, in its discretion, would be sufficient to fulfill the interests of justice.

iii. <u>Transfer for Plea and Sentencing</u>: The Government shall consent to the transfer of the case to the District of Guam for purposes of entering the plea and sentencing, pursuant to Fed. R. Crim. P. 20(a)(2).

DEFENDANT'S CONCESSIONS

- 9. <u>Consideration:</u> In exchange for the Government's concessions, the Defendant agrees to the following:
- i. <u>Guilty Plea:</u> Defendant agrees to waive indictment pursuant to Fed. R. Crim. P. 7(b), and to plead guilty to Counts One and Two of the Information.
- ii. <u>Cooperation:</u> The Defendant agrees to cooperate with the Government, and will:
- a. Truthfully and completely disclose all information with respect to the activities of himself and others concerning the conduct alleged in the Information, including the role of any accomplice or accomplices, which information can be used for any purpose.
- b. Not directly, indirectly, or intentionally disclose anything Defendant knows or has done concerning the Government's investigation into Defendant's conduct or any other person's conduct to anyone other than Defendant's counsel, and not warn any subject of this investigation that Defendant or anyone else is being investigated.
- c. Cooperate fully with the Government and any law enforcement agency designated by the Government.
- d. Attend all meetings at which the Government requests his presence.
- e. Provide to the Government, upon request, any document, record, or other tangible evidence relating to matters about which the Government or any designated law enforcement agency inquires of him.

orders of the Superior Court of Guam in CV0210-10 concerning payment and performance shall be deemed incorporated in this Agreement as conditions of the Defendant's probation.

- c. The Defendant shall comply with all orders issued by the Superior Court of Guam in CV0210-10. Failure to comply with any such order shall constitute a violation of the Defendant's probation.
- d. Failure to obtain the aforementioned consent judgment or order of the Superior Court of Guam in CV0210-10 within sixty (60) days of signing this Agreement shall constitute a breach of this Agreement, and shall afford the Government those rights described in Paragraph 14 below.
- iv. <u>Forfeiture:</u> Defendant agrees to forfeit any interest in any property the Government may have seized, and for which it has filed timely notice of forfeiture.
- v. Polygraph: Defendant agrees to submit to a polygraph examination by any qualified Federal polygraph examiner within 15 days of the submission of the list of assets described in Paragraph 9(ii)(h) and understands that the Government will rely on the results in assessing whether the Defendant has been fully truthful and has otherwise complied with the requirements of this Agreement. Failure to pass the polygraph will not itself constitute a breach of this Agreement, but the results of said polygraph will be admissible as evidence of a breach. The Defendant further understands and agrees that results of the polygraph will be admissible as evidence (by either party) in civil matter number CV0210-10 in the Superior Court of Guam.
- vi. <u>Payment of Special Assessment:</u> Defendant agrees to pay any mandatory special assessment in accordance with the Court's sentencing order.
- vii. Waiver of Appellate Rights: The Defendant has been advised and understands that he is hereby waiving any right to appeal or to collaterally attack this conviction. In addition, it is further agreed that the Defendant hereby waives his right to

directly appeal, collaterally attack, or otherwise litigate under Title 28, United States Code, Section 2255 and/or Section 2241, the conviction and the sentence.

viii. Waiver of Speedy Trial Rights: The Defendant waives all claims he may have based upon the statute of limitations, the Speedy Trial Act, and the speedy trial provisions of the Sixth Amendment to the Constitution. The Defendant also agrees that the time between the filing of this Agreement and the date the Defendant is sentenced following his change of plea hearing is excludable under the Speedy Trial Act, pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 3161.

ix. Additional Waiver: The Defendant understands and agrees that the information he provides to this Office pursuant to Paragraph 9(ii)(h) may be shared with the Bank of Guam, and may be admitted as evidence (by either party) in civil matter number CV0210-10 in the Superior Court of Guam.

STIPULATED FACTS

- 10. <u>Facts:</u> In consideration of the foregoing, the parties hereby stipulate to the following facts:
- i. On or about May 14, 2009, the Defendant conducted a financial transaction, specifically, the withdrawal of \$100,000.00 from his bank account at First Hawaiian Bank, when said money represented the proceeds of mail fraud;
- ii. on or about May 15, 2009, the Defendant conducted a financial transaction, specifically, the withdrawal of \$84,947.49 from his bank account at First Hawaiian Bank, when said money represented the proceeds of mail fraud;
- iii. at the time of the transactions described in Paragraphs 10(i) and 10(ii), the Defendant knew that the money represented proceeds of mail fraud;
- iv. the transactions described in Paragraphs 10(i) and 10(ii) were conducted for the purpose of concealing and disguising the location of the proceeds;
 - v. the transactions affected interstate commerce; and

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- iv. his right to possess any kind of firearm;
- v. his right to federal government loans, grants, or aid in the future; and
- vi. his ability to practice law.
- 13. <u>No Federal Parole:</u> The Defendant has been advised and understands that in the United States penal system, there is no opportunity for parole, and if the Defendant is sentenced to a term of imprisonment, he will not be released on parole.
- 14. Effect of Breach: The Defendant has been advised and understands that if he commits any further crimes, gives false, incomplete, or misleading testimony or information, or otherwise violates any provision of this Agreement, he will be in breach of this Agreement. In that event, the Defendant shall not have the right to withdraw his plea of guilty. The Government, however, will be released from all obligations and restrictions imposed by the Agreement, and may, in its sole discretion and without limitation, proceed with any one or more of the following steps:
 - i. go forward with the plea and sentencing;
- ii. make any and all sentencing recommendations that it deems appropriate;
- iii. treat the agreement as a nullity, that is, as though the parties had never entered into it, withdraw the Agreement, and go to trial on the Information;
- iv. pursue additional charges against the Defendant, notwithstanding the expiration of any statue of limitation between the signing of this Agreement and the commencement of such prosecution; and
- v. use against the Defendant, in this and in any other prosecution and proceeding, any and all information, statements, and testimony—including stipulations made in

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