



REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
SENATE ELECTORAL TRIBUNAL
COA-NCR Bldg., Batasan Road, Quezon City

FRANCIS N. TOLENTINO,
Protestant,

- versus -

SET CASE No. 001-16

LEILA M. DE LIMA,
Protestee.
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RESOLUTION NO. 16-05

Election Officer IV Gerard M. Aquino, Office of the Election Officer, Commission on Elections, Bocaue, Bulacan, seeks authority to open the Storage Room [Audio Visual Room (AVR)] located at the 3rd floor of the Bocaue Municipal Building which contains both the Plastic Translucent Ballot Boxes used in the 09 May 2016 National and Local Elections involved in the instant case and the Yellow Metal Ballot Boxes used during the previous barangay elections. The authority is being sought for the purpose of conducting an inventory of the "Yellow Metal Ballot Boxes" for use in the forthcoming 31 October 2016 Barangay and Sangguniang Kabataan Elections.


Considering the purpose of the authority being sought as well as the fact that the ballot boxes subject of the inventory are not the ballot boxes involved in the instant electoral protest, the Executive Committee of the Tribunal resolves to grant the request, subject to the observance of proper safeguards and measures to preserve and protect the integrity of the ballot boxes involved in this case.

ACCORDINGLY, Election Officer IV Gerard M. Aquino, Office of the Election Officer, Commission on Elections, Bocaue, Bulacan, is hereby **AUTHORIZED** to open the Audio-Visual Room located at the 3rd floor of the Bocaue Municipal Building for the purpose of conducting, in connection with the forthcoming 31 October 2016 Barangay and Sangguniang Barangay elections, an

inventory of the yellow metal ballot boxes used in the previous barangay elections. The Election Officer shall strictly observe and implement such safeguards and measures as may be necessary to preserve and protect the integrity of the Plastic Translucent Ballot Boxes used in the 09 May 2016 National and Local Elections, which are involved in the instant case.

SO ORDERED.

15 August 2016.



ANTONIO T. CARPIO
Senior Associate Justice
Chairperson



TERESITA J. LEONARDO-DE CASTRO

Associate Justice
Member



ARTURO D. BRION
Associate Justice
Member