

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.

RESOLUTION NO. 16-40

In his *Manifestation* dated 08 March 2017, filed with the Tribunal on 13 March 2017, Protestant Francis N. Tolentino stated that on 06 March 2017, he deposited with the Tribunal the amount of P1,786,443.87 in compliance with Resolution No. 16-33 dated 06 February 2017. The deposit was made through BPI Manager's Check (MC) No. 016377 issued in favor of "Senate Electoral Tribunal".

At the time of the deposit of the said MC, the Tribunal was in the process of closing its Fiduciary Fund Account with the Philippine National Bank and opening a new one with the Land Bank of the Philippines (LBP). To distinguish the Fiduciary Fund Account of the Tribunal from its existing General Fund Account with the LBP, the new account was designated as "Senate Electoral Tribunal Fiduciary Fund". BPI MC No. 016377, being issued in favor of "Senate Electoral Tribunal", was not accepted by the LBP for deposit to the Tribunal Fiduciary Fund Account. Accordingly, Protestant Tolentino was requested to replace BPI MC No. 016377 with another one issued in favor of "Senate Electoral Tribunal Fiduciary Fund."

On 20 March 2017, Protestant Tolentino filed another Manifestation dated 15 March 2017, stating that he deposited with the Tribunal BPI MC No. 016422 in

the amount of P1,786,443.87 issued in favor of "Senate Electoral Tribunal Fiduciary Fund", as evidenced by O.R. No. 2183441.

IN VIEW OF THE FOREGOING, the Executive Committee of the Tribunal Resolves to NOTIFY the parties herein that henceforth, all checks issued to the Tribunal pertaining to funds to be held in trust for the parties shall be made out in favor of "SENATE ELECTORAL TRIBUNAL FIDUCIARY FUND."

The Manifestations dated 08 March 2017 and 15 March 2017 filed by Protestant Tolentino are NOTED.

SO ORDERED. 27 March 2017.

> ANTONIO T. CARPIO Senior Associate Justice Chairperson

TERESITA J. LEONARDO-DE CASTRO

Associate Justice Member AS P. BERSAMI Associate Justice Member