



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

FRANCIS N. TOLENTINO,  
Protestant,

SET Case No. 001-16

-versus-

LEILA M. DE LIMA,  
Protestee.

X-----X

### RESOLUTION NO. 16 – 117

In Resolution No. 16-115 dated 01 June 2018, the Commission on Elections (COMELEC) was required to Comment on Protestant Tolentino's *Motion* dated 22 May 2018 within five (5) days from receipt of the Resolution. In the said *Motion*, Protestant Tolentino prayed that the Tribunal (a) direct the COMELEC to issue the necessary orders to access the *raw audit log* files of the Consolidation and Canvassing System (CCS) Laptops covering the protested precincts and/or (b) order Smartmatic, if necessary, to assist the COMELEC in accessing such files.

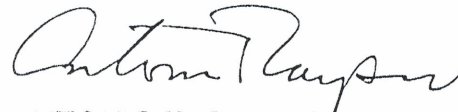
On 11 June 2018, the COMELEC filed a *Motion for Extension of Time to File Comment*. COMELEC stated that it received a copy of Resolution No. 16-155 (should be Resolution No. 16-115) through its Law Department on 05 June 2018, hence, compliance therewith fell due on 10 June 2018. In support of its request for extension, COMELEC alleged that it is still heavily engaged with post-election duties and in view of the complexity and implications of the subject of Protestant's Motion, it would need an additional period of fifteen (15) days from 10 June 2018 or until 25 June 2018 within which to secure a copy of Protestant's Motion, as it was not furnished a copy thereof, and to file its Comment.

In a *Manifestation* dated 08 June 2018 which was received by the Tribunal on 11 June 2018, Protestant stated, in part, that COMELEC had been furnished a copy of the Motion dated 22 May 2018. Attached as Annex "A" to the *Manifestation* is the proof of receipt by the COMELEC Law Department on 08 June 2018.

**ACTING** on the *Motion for Extension of Time to File Comment*, the Executive Committee of the Tribunal Resolves to **GRANT** the Commission on Elections additional period of fifteen (15) days from 10 June 2018, or until 25 June 2018, within which to file the comment required in Resolution No. 16-115 dated 01 June 2018.

The Executive Committee **NOTES** Protestant Tolentino's *Manifestation* dated 08 June 2018.

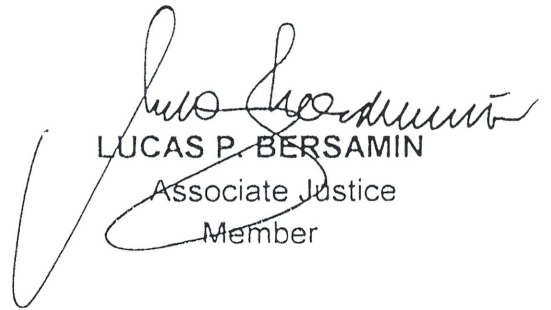
**SO ORDERED.**  
18 June 2018.



**ANTONIO T. CARPIO**  
Senior Associate Justice  
Chairperson



**TERESITA J. LEONARDO-DE CASTRO**  
Associate Justice  
Member



**LUCAS P. BERSAMIN**  
Associate Justice  
Member