## REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES

## Sandiganbayan **OUEZON CITY**

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Madam:

This refers to your letter dated August 11, 2009 requesting for copies of the 2008 Statement of Assets, Liabilities and Net Worth (SALN) and Personal Data Sheet or Curriculum Vitae of the Justices of the Sandiganbayan.

Please be informed that per express provision of R.A. 6713, the SALN of Justices are required to be filed with the Clerk of Court of the Supreme Court. Hence, it is only the Office of the Clerk of Court of the Supreme Court which has authority to issue certified copies of the said documents. We, therefore, respectfully suggest that you address your request directly to that office.

Your request for copies of the Personal Data Sheet or Curriculum Vitae of the Sandiganbayan Justices should likewise be addressed to the Supreme Court, considering that the Supreme Court exercises administrative supervision over all lower courts and processes the appointments not only of all lower court personnel but of Justices and Judges as well.

Very truly yours,

For the Presiding Justice:

RENATO T. BOCAR

Executive Clerk of Court IV