

**[ ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 149, November 19, 1968 ]**

**TRANSFERRING MR. CARLOS C. MANAOIS, CITY ENGINEER OF BASILAN CITY, TO ANOTHER CITY**

This is an administrative case filed by Mayor Leroy S. Brown of Basilan City against City Engineer Carlos C. Manaois of the same city for violation of law, dishonesty and conduct prejudicial to the best interests of the service consisting of five (5) charges, to wit:

- (1) Diverting funds provided for under Republic Act. No. 2301 for the construction and repair of various schools in Basilan City, and informing city residents thereof that said funds belonged to Congressman Vincenzo Sagun, then a candidate for the position he now occupies;
- (2) Utilizing and employing government laborers in the construction of his house at Roxas Avenue, Isabela, Basilan City, using government vehicles in hauling tiles and window glasses for his house, using a government payloader and loose earth in filling the porch of his house and employing government laborers for installing concrete pipes under his residence;
- (3) Purchasing non-essential materials and equipment amounting to P19,780 and charging the same to appropriation fund NC-63 purely intended for the maintenance of national roads and bridges and also purchasing unnecessary and useless equipment at the unreasonable price of P11,980 without the necessary appropriation therefor;
- (4) Employing gang-laborers during the 1965 Presidential election under the pretext that they were to repair roads, bridges and other city work projects, and using them in campaigning for Congressman Vincenzo Sagun and other candidates of the Liberal Party; and
- (5) Purchasing spare part (universal cage outer) of a government payloader at the unreasonable price P16,970 and defying and willfully neglecting the instruction of the Commissioner of Public Highways to hold payment of the balance thereof.

The charges were looked into by an investigator from the Department of Public Works and Communications (DPWC) who, on the basis of his findings, recommended that Charges Nos. 1, 3, 4 and 5 be dropped for not being fully substantiated. For Charge No. 2, the investigator found respondent to have extended influence over his subordinates in the construction of his residence and recommended that he be admonished, in which the DPWC Secretary concurs.