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[A.M. No. 09-5-2-SC, July 05, 2011]

RE: BREWING CONTROVERSIES IN THE ELECTIONS IN THE INTEGRATED BAR OF THE PHILIPPINES

[A.C. NO. 8292]

**ATTYS. MARCIAL M. MAGSINO, MANUEL M. MARAMBA AND
NASSER MAROHOMSALIC, COMPLAINANTS, VS. ATTYS. ROGELIO
A. VINLUAN, ABELARDO C. ESTRADA, BONIFACIO T. BARANDON,
JR., EVERGISTO S. ESCALON AND RAYMUND JORGE A. MERCADO,
RESPONDENTS.**

R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, in view of the then brewing controversies in the 2009 elections of certain members of the Board of Governors of the Integrated Bar of the Philippines (IBP) for the term 2009 to 2011, the Court designated Justice (Ret.) Santiago M. Kapunan as Officer-In-Charge of the IBP;

WHEREAS, Justice Kapunan competently assisted the Court in its supervision of the legal profession by providing leadership and guidance to the IBP in what could have been a chaotic and confusing period in the history of the integrated bar association;

WHEREAS, Justice Kapunan ably filled the leadership vacuum in the IBP and, during a period of transition, effectively steered that institution in continuing to perform its duty to Philippine society and to the legal profession;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Supreme Court of the Philippines resolves to express, as it hereby expresses, its deep appreciation for and recognition of the invaluable service to the Court and the legal profession of Justice (Ret.) Santiago M. Kapunan as Officer-In-Charge of the 2009-2011 IBP Board of Governors.

Given this 5th day of July, 2011 in the City of Manila, Philippines.

Corona, C.J., Carpio, Velasco, Jr., Leonardo-De Castro, Brion, Bersamin, Del Castillo, Abad, Villarama, Jr., Perez, Mendoza and Sereno, JJ., concur.
Peralta, J., on leave



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