

THE ISLAND OF NAURU.

No. 4 of 1952.

A N O R D I N A N C E

To amend the Judiciary Ordinance 1922-1951, and for other purposes.

BE it ordained by the Administrator of the Island of Nauru, acting in pursuance of the powers conferred by Article 1 of the Agreement dated the second day of July, One thousand nine hundred and nineteen, between His Majesty's Government in London, His Majesty's Government of the Commonwealth of Australia and His Majesty's Government of the Dominion of New Zealand, as follows:-

Short
title
and
citation.

1.-(1.) This Ordinance may be cited as the Judiciary Ordinance 1952.

(2.) The Judiciary Ordinance 1922-1951 is in this Ordinance referred to as the Principal Ordinance.

(3.) The Principal Ordinance, as amended by this Ordinance, may be cited as the Judiciary Ordinance 1922-1952.

2.-(1.) Section eight of the Principal Ordinance is repealed and the following section inserted in its stead:-

"8.-(1.) The Central Court shall consist of such Judges and Magistrates as the Administrator appoints.

"(2.) The jurisdiction of the Central Court may be exercised by any Judge or Judges or any Magistrate or Magistrates appointed to the Central Court and the jurisdiction of the Court may be so exercised notwithstanding that the jurisdiction of the Court is being exercised at the same time by another Judge or Judges or another Magistrate or Magistrates."

(2.) The repeal effected, and the section inserted, by this section shall be deemed to have come into operation on the twenty-first day of November, One thousand nine hundred and forty-eight.

(3.) Each person holding office as a Judge or Magistrate of the Central Court immediately before the

date of commencement of the section inserted by this section shall be deemed to have been appointed under the section so inserted.

3.-(1.) Section eighteen of the Principal Ordinance is amended -

- (a) by inserting after the word "thereto" the words "by the Administrator"; and
- (b) by adding at the end thereof the following sub-section:-

"(2.) The jurisdiction of the District Court may be exercised by any Magistrate or Magistrates appointed to the District Court, and the jurisdiction of the Court may be so exercised notwithstanding that the jurisdiction of the Court is being exercised at the same time by another Magistrate or Magistrates."

(2.) The amendments effected by this section shall be deemed to have come into operation on the twenty-ninth day of November, One thousand nine hundred and twenty-five.

Validation
of appoint-
ment of
Magistrate.

4. The appointment of Tim Detudamo as a Magistrate of the District Court of Nauru which was notified in the Nauru Gazette on the eleventh day of May, One thousand nine hundred and forty-six, shall be, and shall be deemed at all times to have been, as valid and effectual, and shall operate and be deemed at all times to have operated, as if no limitation or definition of the jurisdiction of the Magistrate had been contained in the appointment or in the notification thereof.

Dated this Twelfth day of March, 1952.

R.S. RICHARDS
Administrator of the Island of Nauru.