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**CIVIL PROCEDURE ACT 1972
RULES FOR EMPANELMENT OF A FULL BENCH**

S.L No. 3 of 2015

In exercise of the powers conferred on me by section 76 (1) of the Civil Procedure Act 1972, I make the following rules –

1. (a) The Supreme Court shall normally be constituted by a single Judge but may, in its discretion, be empanelled as a full bench of three Judges in any of the following circumstances:-
 - (i) On a matter that is of constitutional importance;
 - (ii) On a matter that is of national significance or which relates to vital public policy;
 - (iii) On a matter which relates to an important point of law; and
 - (iv) On appeals from the District Court and the Family Court or a Case Stated for the Opinion of the Court which may fall within subsection (a) (i), (ii) or (iii).
- (b) In the event only two Judges are available, a full bench shall be comprised accordingly.
2. Parties in proceedings before the Court may by way of motion and affidavit seek the empanelling of a full bench before a single Judge.
3. An application for empanelment shall be made at the commencement of proceedings unless there are compelling reasons for doing otherwise.

Issued this 29th day of January 2015.

**JONI MADRAIWIWI
CHIEF JUSTICE**
