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IN exercise of the powers conferred by section 3 of the *Constitutional Offices* (*Terms and Conditions of Service*) Act (Cap. 84), I, make these Regulations:

1. Citation

These Regulations may be cited as the *Constitutional Offices (Terms and Conditions of Service)* (Chief Justice (Amendment) Regulations 2019.

2 Commencement

These Regulations are deemed to commence on 1 September 2016.

3 Regulations amended

These Regulations amend the Constitutional Offices (Terms and Conditions of Service) (Chief Justice) Regulations 2015 (the "principal Regulations") (Legal Notice No. 72 of 2015).

4 Regulation 9 amended

Regulation 9(b) of the principal Regulations is amended by deleting "telephone," and "and the cost of a mobile phone,".

5 Regulation 13 amended

(1) The heading ot regulation 13 of the principal Regulations is repealed and replaced with the following:

"13. Transport and accommodation on leave"

- (2) Regulation 13 of the principal Regulations is amended by inserting the following after subregulation (2):
- "(3) The Chief Justice is entitled to claim the following:
 - (a) transport costs from his or her drop-off point by boat or plane, to and from his or her home village;
 - (b) accommodation and any related costs while on transit at the drop-off point."

6 Regulation 21 amended

Regulation 21 of the principal Regulations is amended by inserting the following after subregulation (2):

"(3) The Chief Justice, his or her spouse and any child of the Chief Justice are entitled to claim reimbursement of annual medical expenses up to the amount specified in the Schedule on production of receipt,"

7 New Regulation 33 and Regulation 34

The principal Regulations is amended by inserting the following after regulation 32:

"33. Apply for tax exemption

The Chief Justice may apply for tax exemption under section 16 of the *Income Tax Act* (Cap. 123) for the following:

- (a) housing allowance;
- (b) vehicle allowance;
- (c) long service benefit;
- (d) gratuity.

34. Telephone

Th Government must pay the following:

- (a) instalment costs of a telephone landline at the residence of the Chief Justice;
- (b) costs of a mobile handset in the amount specified in the Schedule, payable every 3 years;
- (c) monthly telephone allowance specified in the Schedule."

8 Schedule amended

The Schedule to the principal Regulations is repealed and replaced with the following:

Description	Amount
Fortnightly salary	\$10,499.99
Monthly housing allowance	\$20,000
Monthly utilities allowance	\$7,000
Monthly vehicle allowance	\$7,000
Monthly fuel allowance	\$4,600
Daily overseas travel	USD450
allowance	
Daily local travel allowance	\$600
Annual clothing allowance	\$15,000
Annual entertainment allowance	\$12,000
Annual medical expenses	\$14,000
Annual education allowance	\$20,000
Daily higher duties allowance	\$100
 Governor-General 	
 Judge of the Court of 	the daily sitting fee
Appeal	for a Judge of the
	Court of Appeal
Appointment grant	\$14,400
Termination grant	\$480,000
Mobile handset	\$4,000
Monthly telephone allowance	\$2,000"
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MADE AT HONIARA this twentieth-first day of February, 2019.

HON. RICK HOUENIPWELA PRIME MINISTER