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# THE CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICES (TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SER-VICE) (PUBLIC SOLICITOR) (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 2024

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# CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICES (TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SERVICE) ACT

(Cap. 84)

# THE CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICES (TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SERVICE) (PUBLIC SOLICITOR) (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 2024

I, Hon. Manasseh Damukana Sogavare, Prime Minister, under section 3 of the *Constitutional Offices (Terms and Conditions of Service) Act* (Cap. 84), make the following Regulations:

#### 1 Citation

These Regulations may be cited as the *Constitutional Offices (Terms and Conditions of Service) (Public Solicitors) (Amendment) Regulations 2024.* 

#### 2 Commencement

These Regulations commence on the date of publication in the *Gazette*.

3 Amendment of the Constitutional Offices (Terms and Conditions of Service) (Public Solicitor) Regulations

These Regulations amend the *Constitutional Offices (Terms and Conditions of Service) (Public Solicitor) Regulations* (LN No. 145 of 1990) ("*Principal Regulations*").

## 4 Regulation 4 amended

The Principal Regulations is amended in regulation 4 by substituting "\$5,250.00." with "\$9,000.00.".

#### 5 Regulation 7 amended

The Principal Regulations is amended in regulation 7 by substituting "\$10,000.00" with "\$15,000.00".

#### 6 Regulation 8 amended

The Principal Regulations is amended in regulation 8 by substituting "\$2,700.00" with \$4,000.00".

#### 7 Regulation 10 repealed and substituted

The Principal Regulations is amended by repealing regulation 10 and substituting as follows:

#### "Vehicle

#### 10 The Public Solicitor:

- (a) shall be provided with one government vehicle free of charge and a fuel allowance of \$2,000.00 per month; and
- (b) where the government is unable to provide a vehicle, the Public Solicitor is to be provided with a transport allowance of \$6,000.00 per fortnight; and
- (c) where at the end of the Public Solicitor's contract, the contract is not renewed, the Public Solicitor is entitled to purchase the vehicle under paragraph (a) at a fair market price.".

# 8 Regulation 13 amended

The Principal Regulations is amended in regulation 13 by substituting "two return trips" with "one return trip".

#### 9 Regulation 14 amended

Principal Regulations is amended in regulation 14(1) by substituting "US\$250.00" with "USD\$300.00".

# 10 Regulation 15 amended

The Principal Regulations is amended in regulation 15 by substituting "\$250.00" with "\$300.00".

#### 11 Regulation 16 repealed and substituted

The Principal Regulations is amended by repealing regulation 16 and substituting as follows:

#### "Class of travel (overseas)

- 16 (1) The Public Solicitor is entitled to travel business class for all official overseas travels.
  - (2) The spouse of the Public Solicitor is entitled to travel business class:
    - (a) when accompanying the Public Solicitor for official overseas travel; and
    - (b) when the spouse is officially required to perform an official role in the Public Solicitor's official overseas program of travel; and
    - (c) where subregulations (2)(a) and (b) are met, the spouse is also entitled to claim subsistence allowance at half the rate payable to the Public Solicitor in regulation 14(1) and 14(2).
  - (3) Where subregulations (2)(a) and (b) are not met, the Public Solicitor and the spouse are responsible for the spouse's travels."

### 12 Regulation 18 repealed and substituted

The Principal Regulations is amended by repealing regulation 18 and substituting as follows:

#### "Entertainment allowance

The Public Solicitor is entitled to an entertainment allowance of \$20,000.00 per annum.".

#### 13 Regulation 19 repealed and substituted

The Principal Regulations is amended by repealing regulation 19 and substituting as follows:

#### "Medical treatment

19 If the Public Solicitor is not covered by medical insurance, the Public Solicitor is entitled to \$10,000.00 per annum for outpatient and general practice treatments; and where hospitalisation is required, the Public Solicitor is entitled to be covered under a Government approved Health Care Scheme.".

#### 14 Regulation 20 repealed and substituted

The Principal Regulations is amended by repealing regulation 20 and

substituting with a new regulation 20 as follows:

## "Gratuity

The Public Solicitor is entitled to a gratuity of 35% of the basic salary under regulation 4, payable at the end of every 12 months of service, or at the end of the term."

#### 15 Regulation 24 amended

The Principal Regulations is amended in regulation 24 by substituting "\$5,000.00" with "\$20,000.00".

Made this eighteenth-day of March 2024.

# HON. MANASSEH DAMUKANA SOGAVARE PRIME MINISTER