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**CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICES (TERMS AND  
CONDITIONS OF (SERVICE) (PRESIDENT OF COURT OF APPEAL)  
REGULATIONS 2015**

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) (President of Court of Appeal) Regulations 2015*.

**2. Term of office**

The term of office of the President of the Court of Appeal is as specified in section 87 of the Constitution.

**3. Functions**

The functions of the President of the Court of Appeal are those prescribed under Part II of Chapter VII of the Constituion.

**4. Professional fees**

The President of the Court of Appeal is entitled to the following professional fees for each period during which the Court of Appeal sits:

- (a) a preparation fee of US\$2000;
- (b) a daily sitting fee of US\$1250 for each day of the period, beginning on the day the Court convenes and ending on the day the Court last sits;
- (c) a daily judgment writing fee of US\$1250 for each day the President writes a judgment, up to a maximum period approved by the Chief Justice.

**5. Accommodation**

The President of the Court of Appeal is entitled to be provided with accommodation when the President is in Solomon Islands for sittings of the Court.

**6. Living allowance**

- (1) The President of the Court of Appeal is entitled to a daily living allowance of US\$350:
  - (a) for each day the President is in Solomon Islands for sittings of the Court; and
  - (b) for each day the President is travelling to or from Solomon Islands for sittings of the Court.
- (2) If the President is accompanied to Solomon Islands by his or her spouse for sittings of the Court, the spouse is entitled to the allowance mentioned in subregulation (1).

**7. Transport**

- (1) The President of the Court of Appeal is entitled to be provided with transport within Solomon Islands when the President is in Solomon Islands for sittings of the Court.
- (2) The President and his or her spouse is entitled to first class air travel (or, if unavailable, the next available class or travel) for all travel to and from Solomon Islands for the purpose of sittings of the Court.

**8. Security**

The Government is responsible for providing adequate security for the President in Solomon Islands.

**9. Medical treatment**

The President of the Court of Appeal and his or her spouse are each entitled to medical examination and treatment free of charge in Government hospitals and at the expense of the Government in private clinics in Solomon Islands.

**10. Funeral expenses**

If the President of the Court of Appeal dies while in Solomon Islands for sittings of the Court, the Government must pay all funeral expenses and any expenses incidental to the funeral.

**11. Review of Regulations**

These Regulations must be reviewed annually to determine whether it is appropriate to make an adjustment to the rates of fees and allowances for the President of the Court of Appeal.

**12. Repeal**

The Constitutional Offices (Terms and Conditions of Service) (President of Appeal) Regulations 2008 (LN. 56 of 2008) are repealed.

MADE AT HONIARA this tenth day of August, 2015.

HON. MANASSEH DAMUKANA SOGAVARE  
PRIME MINISTER

[Legal Notice No. 71]

**CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICES (TERMS AND CONDITIONS  
OF SERVICE) (JUDGES OF COURT OF APPEAL)  
REGULATIONS 2015**

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**CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICES (TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SERVICE) (JUDGES OF COURT OF APPEAL) REGULATIONS 2015**

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) (Judges of Court of Appeal) Regulations 2015.

**2. Term of office**

The term of office of a Judge of the Court of Appeal is as specified in section 87 of the Constitution.

**3. Functions**

The functions of a Judge of the Court of Appeal are those prescribed under Part II of Chapter VII of the Constitution.

**4. Professional fees**

A Judge of the Court of Appeal is entitled to the following professional fees for each period during which the Court of Appeal sits:

- (a) a preparation fee of US\$2000;
- (b) a daily sitting fee of US\$1000 for each day of the period, beginning on the day the Court convenes and ending on the day the Court last sits;
- (c) a daily judgment writing fee of US\$1000 for each day the Judge writes a judgment, up to a maximum period approved by the Chief Justice.

**5. Accommodation**

A Judge of the Court of Appeal is entitled to be provided with accommodation when the Judge is in Solomon Islands for sittings of the Court.

**6. Living allowance**

- (1) A Judge of the Court of Appeal is entitled to a daily living allowance of US\$300:
  - (a) for each day the Judge is in Solomon Islands for sittings of the Court; and
  - (b) for each day the Judge is travelling to or from Solomon Islands for sittings of the Court.
- (2) If the Judge is accompanied to Solomon Islands by his or her spouse for sittings of the Court, the spouse is entitled to the allowance mentioned in subregulation (1).

**7. Transport**

- (1) A Judge of the Court of Appeal is entitled to be provided with transport within Solomon Islands when the Judge is in Solomon Islands for sittings of the Court.
- (2) The Judge and his or her spouse is entitled to first class air travel (or, if unavailable, the next available class of travel) for all travel to and from Solomon Islands for the purpose of sittings of the Court.

**8. Security**

The Government is responsible for providing adequate security for the Judge in Solomon Islands.

**9. Medical treatment**

A Judge of the Court of Appeal and his or her spouse are each entitled to medical examination and treatment free of charge in Government hospitals and at the expense of the Government in private clinics in Solomon Islands.

**10. Funeral expenses**

If a Judge of the Court of Appeal dies while in Solomon Islands for sittings of the Court, the Government must pay all funeral expenses and any expenses incidental to the funeral.

**11. Review of regulations**

These regulations must be reviewed annually to determine whether it is appropriate to make an adjustment to the rates of fees and allowances for a Judge of the Court of Appeal.

**12. Repeal**

*The Constitutional Offices (Terms and Conditions of Service) (Justice of Appeal) Regulations 2008* (LN. 55 of 2008) are repealed.

**MADE AT HONIARA** this tenth day of August, 2015.

HON. MANASSEH DAMUKANA SOGAVARE  
PRIME MINISTER

[Legal Notice No. 72]

**CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICES (TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF  
SERVICE) (CHIEF JUSTICE) REGULATIONS 2015**

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**CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICES (TERMS AND CONDITIONS  
OF SERVICE) (CHIEF JUSTICE) REGULATIONS 2015**

**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) Regulations 2015*.

**2. Interpretation**

(1) In these Regulations

“child”, of the Chief Justice, means a child of the Chief Justice who is under 21 years of age and who is living with and financially dependent on the Chief Justice.

(2) Unless otherwise specified, if an amount is expressed in dollars in these Regulations, the dollars are Solomon Islands dollars.

**3. Term of office**

The term of office of the Chief Justice is as specified in section 80 of the Constitution.

**4. Functions**

The functions of the Chief Justice are those prescribed under Part II of Chapter VII of the Constitution.

**5. Salary**

The Chief Justice is entitled to the fortnightly salary specified in the Schedule.

**6. NPF contributions**

The Chief Justice must make contributions to the Solomon Islands National Provident Fund as required under the National Provident Fund Act (Cap. 109).

**7. Housing**

- (1) The Chief Justice is entitled:
  - (a) to be provided with an official residence free of rent; or
  - (b) at the option of the Chief Justice, to be paid the monthly housing allowance specified in the Schedule.
- (2) The Chief Justice may elect to receive up to 4 years of the housing allowance in advance for the purpose of purchasing a residence.
- (3) If the Chief Justice receives an advance on the housing allowance:
  - (a) subregulation (1) does not apply for the period of the advance; and
  - (b) the Chief Justice is not entitled to receive any increase in the allowance that is made during the period of the advance.
- (4) If the Chief Justice receives an advance on the housing allowance and the Chief Justice ceases to hold office before the end of the period of the advance, the outstanding amount of the advance is a debt due and payable by the Chief Justice to the Government.

**8. Security**

The Government is responsible for providing adequate security at the official residence of the Chief Justice.

**9. Utilities**

The Government must either:

- (a) at the option of the Chief Justice, pay the Chief Justice the monthly utilities allowance specified in the Schedule; or
- (b) pay the cost of water, gas, telephone, and electricity provided to the Chief Justice's official residence, and the cost of a mobile phone, up to a total amount each month not exceeding the monthly utilities allowance.

**10. Domestic staff**

The Government must pay the wages for the services of a driver and 2 domestic employees for the Chief Justice's official residence.

**11. Vehicle**

- (1) The Chief Justice is entitled:
  - (a) to be provided with 2 vehicles of a type compatible with the safety and security of the Chief Justice and his or her family; or
  - (b) to be paid the monthly vehicle allowance specified in the Schedule per vehicle for 2 vehicles; or
  - (c) to be provided with 1 vehicle as mentioned in paragraph (a) and the monthly vehicle allowance specified in the Schedule for 1 vehicle.
- (2) The Government must replace each vehicle provided under subregulation (1) at least once every 5 years.
- (3) The Government must give the Chief Justice the option to purchase the replaced vehicle at a price determined by the Permanent Secretary of the Ministry responsible for infrastructure.

- (4) If the Chief Justice elects to receive a monthly vehicle allowance, the Chief Justice may elect to receive up to 4 years of the vehicle allowance in advance for the purpose of purchasing a vehicle.
- (5) If the Chief Justice elects to receive an advance on the vehicle allowance for a vehicle:
  - (a) subregulation (1) does not apply in relation to the vehicle for the period of the advance; and
  - (b) the Chief Justice is not entitled to receive any increase in the monthly vehicle allowance that is made during the period of the advance.
- (6) If the Chief Justice receives an advance on the vehicle allowance and the Chief Justice ceases to hold office before the end of the period of the advance, the outstanding amount of the advance is a debt due and payable by the Chief Justice to the Government.
- (7) The Chief Justice is entitled to be paid the monthly fuel allowance specified in the Schedule per vehicle for 2 vehicles.

## **12. Leave**

- (1) The Chief Justice is entitled to annual leave at the rate of 3.5 days each month (42 days each year) for every year of service.
- (2) Annual leave must be taken during the year of service in which it accrues.
- (3) The Chief Justice is entitled to long service leave for 90 consecutive days for every 5 years of continuous service.

### 13. Transport on leave

(1) The Chief Justice, his or her spouse and any child of the Chief Justice are each entitled to one free return air or sea passage from Honiara to a relevant place of domicile for each entitlement of 42 days annual leave or 90 days long service leave.

(2) In this regulation;

*“relevant place of domicile”* means

- (a) the Chief Justice’s place of domicile; or
- (b) if the Chief Justice’s spouse is not a citizen of Solomon Islands, the spouse’s place of domicile.

### 14. Compassionate leave travel

The Chief Justice is entitled to 2 return air or sea passages from Honiara to another place within Solomon Islands each year if required for the purpose of compassionate leave.

### 15. Overseas travel allowance

- (1) While on official travel outside Solomon Islands, the Chief Justice is entitled:
  - (a) to the daily overseas travel allowance specified in the Schedule; and
  - (b) to have transport and accommodation provided.
- (2) If the Chief Justice is accompanied by his or her spouse on official travel outside Solomon Islands, the spouse is entitled to the daily overseas travel allowance.
- (3) If the travel allowance of the Chief Justice or his or her spouse is funded by a source other than the Government and the amount paid for each day is less than the daily overseas travel allowance, the Government must pay the difference between the amount paid and the daily overseas travel allowance.

**16. Overseas travel class**

- (1) The Chief Justice is entitled to first class air travel (or, if unavailable, the next available class of travel) on all official travel outside Solomon Islands.
- (2) If the Chief Justice is accompanied by his or her spouse on official travel outside Solomon Islands, the spouse is entitled to first class air travel (or, if unavailable, the next available class of travel).

**17. Local travel allowance**

- (1) While on official travel within Solomon Islands, the Chief Justice is entitled:
  - (a) to the daily local travel allowance specified in the Schedule; and
  - (b) to have transport and accommodation provided.
- (2) If the Chief Justice is accompanied by his or her spouse on official travel within Solomon Islands, the spouse is entitled to the daily local travel allowance.

**18. Clothing allowance**

The Chief Justice is entitled to the annual clothing allowance specified in the Schedule.

**19. Baggage allowance**

The Chief Justice is entitled to the baggage allowance prescribed for public officers in the General Orders made under the *Public Service Act* (Cap.92).

**20. Entertainment allowance**

The Chief Justice is entitled to the annual entertainment allowance specified in the Schedule.

**21. Medical treatment**

- (1) The Chief Justice, his or her spouse and any child of the Chief Justice are each entitled to medical examination and treatment in accordance with the terms prescribed for public officers in the General Orders made under the *Public Service Act* (Cap.92).
- (2) The Chief Justice, his or her spouse and any child of the Chief Justice are each entitled to receive medical examination and treatment outside Solomon Islands at the expense of the Government if a medical practitioner engaged by the Ministry responsible for health certifies that the examination or treatment:
  - (a) is necessary; and
  - (b) is not available in Solomon Islands.

**22. Funeral expenses**

If the Chief Justice dies while in office, the Government must pay all funeral expenses and any expenses incidental to the funeral.

**23. Education allowance**

The Chief Justice is entitled to the annual education allowance specified in the Schedule.

**24. Higher duties**

The Chief Justice is entitled to the daily higher duties allowance specified in the Schedule whenever he or she is required to perform the duties of an office specified opposite the allowance.

**25. Appointment grant**

The Chief Justice is entitled to the appointment grant specified in the Schedule on his or her first appointment as Chief Justice.

**26. Long Service benefit**

- (1) On completing 7 years of continuous service, the Chief Justice is entitled to a long service benefit of 25% of his or her annual salary as at the date the benefit accrues for each year of service.
- (2) At the end of each year of continuous service after 7 years of continuous service, the Chief Justice is entitled to a long service benefit of 25% of his or her annual salary as at the date the benefit accrues.

**27. Gratuity**

The Chief Justice is entitled to a gratuity at the end of each completed year of service of 10% of his or her annual salary as at the date the Chief Justice completes the year of service.

**28. Termination grant**

At the end of the Chief Justice's term of office, the Chief Justice is entitled to the termination grant specified in the Schedule.

**29. Other benefits**

The Chief Justice is entitled to all other benefits available to a public officer under the General Orders or regulations made under the *Public Service Act* (Cap.92) that are not inconsistent with and not dealt with by these Regulations.

**30. Schedule**

The Schedule has effect.

**31. Review of Regulations**

These Regulations must be reviewed annually to determine whether it is appropriate to make an adjustment to the rates of salary and allowances for the Chief Justice.

**32. Repeal**

The following regulations are repealed:

- (a) Constitutional Offices (Terms and Conditions of Service) (Chief Justice) Regulations 2010 (LN 77 of 2010);
- (b) Constitutional Offices (Terms and Conditions of Service) (Chief Justice) (Amendment) Regulations 2013 (LN 99 of 2013).

**MADE AT HONIARA** this tenth day of August, 2015.

HON. MANASSEH DAMUKANA SOGAVARE  
PRIME MINISTER

## SCHEDULE

## AMOUNTS PAYABLE TO CHIEF JUSTICE

regulation 30

| <b>Regulation</b> | <b>Description</b>              | <b>Amount</b>  |
|-------------------|---------------------------------|--|
| 5                 | Fortnightly salary              | \$8,076.92   |
| 7                 | Monthly housing allowance       | \$18,000   |
| 9                 | Monthly utilities allowance     | \$6,000  |
| 11                | Monthly vehicle allowance       | \$6,000  |
| 11                | Monthly fuel allowance          | \$3,600  |
| 16                | Daily overseas travel allowance | US\$360  |
| 17                | Daily local travel allowance    | \$480  |
| 18                | Annual clothing allowance       | \$14,400   |
| 20                | Annual entertainment allowance  | \$11,400   |
| 23                | Annual education allowance      | \$14,400   |
| 24                | Daily higher duties allowance   |  |
|                   | • Governor-General              | \$50   |
|                   | • Judge of the Court of Appeal  | the daily sitting<br>fee for a Judge of<br>the Court of Appeal |
| 25                | Appointment grant               | \$14,400   |
| 28                | Termination grant               | \$480,000  |

[Legal Notice No. 73]

**CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICES (TERMS AND CONDITIONS  
OF SERVICE) (DEPUTY CHIEF JUSTICE) REGULATIONS 2015**

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**CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICES (TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SERVICE) (DEPUTY CHIEF JUSTICE) REGULATIONS 2015**

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) (Deputy Chief Justice) Regulations 2015*.

**2. Interpretation**

(1) In these Regulations:

“*child*”, of the Deputy Chief Justice, means a child of the Deputy Chief Justice who is under 21 years of age and who is living with and financially dependent on the Deputy Chief Justice.

(2) Unless otherwise specified, if an amount is expressed in dollars in these Regulations, the dollars are Solomon Islands dollars.

**3. Term of office**

The term of office of the Deputy Chief Justice is as specified in section 80 of the Constitution.

**4. Functions**

The functions of the Deputy Chief Justice are those prescribed under Part II of Chapter VII of the Constitution.

**5. Salary**

The Deputy Chief Justice is entitled to the fortnightly salary specified in the Schedule.

**6. NPF contributions**

The Deputy Chief Justice must make contributions to the Solomon Islands National Provident Fund as required under the *National Provident Fund Act* (Cap.109).

## 7. **Housing**

- (1) The Deputy Chief Justice is entitled:
  - (a) to be provided with an official residence free of rent;  
or
  - (b) at the option of the Deputy Chief Justice, to be paid the monthly housing allowance specified in the Schedule.
- (2) The Deputy Chief Justice may elect to receive up to 4 years of the housing allowance in advance for the purpose of purchasing a residence.
- (3) If the Deputy Chief Justice elects to receive an advance on the housing allowance:
  - (a) subregulation (1) does not apply for the period of the advance; and
  - (b) the Deputy Chief Justice is not entitled to receive any increase in the allowance that is made during the period of the advance.
- (4) If the Deputy Chief Justice receives an advance on the housing allowance and the Deputy Chief Justice ceases to hold office before the end of the period of the advance, the outstanding amount of the advance is a debt due and payable by the Deputy Chief Justice to the Government.

## 8. **Security**

The Government is responsible for providing adequate security at the official residence of the Deputy Chief Justice.

## **9. Utilities**

The Government must either:

- (a) at the option of the Deputy Chief Justice, pay the Deputy Chief Justice the monthly utilities allowance specified in the Schedule;  
or
- (b) pay the cost of water, gas, telephone, and electricity provided to the Deputy Chief Justice's official residence, and the cost of a mobile phone, up to a total amount each month not exceeding the monthly utilities allowance.

## **10. Domestic staff**

The Government must pay the wages for the services of a driver and a domestic employee for the Deputy Chief Justice's official residence.

## **11. Vehicle**

- (1) The Deputy Chief Justice is entitled:
  - (a) to be provided with a vehicle of a type compatible with the safety and security of the Deputy Chief Justice and his or her family; or
  - (b) to be paid the monthly vehicle allowance specified in the Schedule.
- (2) The Government must replace a vehicle provided under subregulation (1) at least once every 5 years.
- (3) The Government must give the Deputy Chief Justice the option to purchase the replaced vehicle at a price determined by the Permanent Secretary of the Ministry responsible for infrastructure.
- (4) If the Deputy Chief Justice elects to receive a monthly vehicle allowance, the Deputy Chief Justice may elect to receive up to 4 years of the vehicle allowance in advance for the purpose of purchasing a vehicle.

- (5) If the Deputy Chief Justice elects to receive an advance on the vehicle allowance for a vehicle:
  - (a) subregulation (1) does not apply for the period of the advance; and
  - (b) the Deputy Chief Justice is not entitled to receive any increase in the monthly vehicle allowance that is made during the period of the advance.
- (6) If the Deputy Chief Justice receives an advance on the vehicle allowance and the Deputy Chief Justice ceases to hold office before the end of the period of the advance, the outstanding amount of the advance is a debt due and payable by the Deputy Chief Justice to the Government.
- (7) The Deputy Chief Justice is entitled to be paid the monthly fuel allowance specified in the Schedule.

## **12. Leave**

- (1) The Deputy Chief Justice is entitled to annual leave at the rate of 3.5 days each month (42 days each year) for every year of service.
- (2) Annual leave must be taken during the year of service in which it accrues.
- (3) The Deputy Chief Justice is entitled to long service leave for 60 consecutive days for every 5 years of continuous service.

## **13. Transport on leave**

- (1) The Deputy Chief Justice, his or her spouse and any child of the Deputy Chief Justice are each entitled to one free return air or sea passage from Honiara to a relevant place of domicile for each entitlement of 42 days annual leave or 60 days long service leave.

- (2) In this regulation:

*“relevant place of domicile”* means:

- (a) the Deputy Chief Justice’s place of domicile; or
- (b) if the Deputy Chief Justice’s spouse is not a citizen of Solomon Islands, the spouse’s place of domicile.

**14. Compassionate leave travel**

The Deputy Chief Justice is entitled to 2 return air or sea passages from Honiara to another place within Solomon Islands each year if required for the purpose of compassionate leave.

**15. Overseas travel allowance**

- (1) While on official travel outside Solomon Islands, the Deputy Chief Justice is entitled:
  - (a) to the daily overseas travel allowance specified in the Schedule; and
  - (b) to have transport and accommodation provided.
- (2) If the Deputy Chief Justice is accompanied by his or her spouse on official travel outside Solomon Islands, the spouse is entitled to the daily overseas travel allowance.
- (3) If the travel allowance of the Deputy Chief Justice or his or her spouse is funded by a source other than the Government and the amount paid for each day is less than the daily overseas travel allowance, the Government must pay the difference between the amount paid and the daily overseas travel allowance.

**16. Overseas travel class**

- (1) The Deputy Chief Justice is entitled to first class air travel (or, if unavailable, the next available travel class) on all official travel outside Solomon Islands.
- (2) If the Deputy Chief Justice is accompanied by his or her spouse on official travel outside Solomon Islands, the spouse is entitled to first class air travel (or, if unavailable, the next available travel class).

**17. Local travel allowance**

- (1) While on official travel within Solomon Islands, the Deputy Chief Justice is entitled:
  - (a) to the daily local travel allowance specified in the Schedule; and
  - (b) to have transport and accommodation provided.
- (2) If the Deputy Chief Justice is accompanied by his or her spouse on official travel within Solomon Islands, the spouse is entitled to the daily local travel allowance.

**18. Clothing allowance**

The Deputy Chief Justice is entitled to the annual clothing allowance specified in the Schedule.

**19. Baggage allowance**

The Deputy Chief Justice is entitled to the baggage allowance prescribed for public officers in the General Orders made under the *Public Service Act* (Cap.92).

**20. Entertainment allowance**

The Deputy Chief Justice is entitled to the annual entertainment allowance specified in the Schedule.

**21. Medical treatment**

- (1) The Deputy Chief Justice, his or her spouse and any child of the Deputy Chief Justice are each entitled to medical examination and treatment in accordance with the terms prescribed for public officers in the General Orders made under the *Public Service Act* (Cap.92).

- (2) The Deputy Chief Justice, his or her spouse and any child of the Deputy Chief Justice are each entitled to receive medical examination and treatment outside Solomon Islands at the expense of the Government if a medical practitioner engaged by the Ministry responsible for health certifies that the examination or treatment:
  - (a) is necessary; and
  - (b) is not available in Solomon Islands.

**22. Funeral expenses**

If the Deputy Chief Justice dies while in office, the Government must pay all funeral expenses and any expenses incidental to the funeral.

**23. Education allowance**

The Deputy Chief Justice is entitled to the annual education allowance specified in the Schedule.

**24. Higher duties**

The Deputy Chief Justice is entitled to the daily higher duties allowance specified in the Schedule whenever he or she is required to perform the duties of an office specified opposite the allowance.

**25. Appointment grant**

The Deputy Chief Justice is entitled to the appointment grant specified in the Schedule on his or her first appointment as Deputy Chief Justice.

**26. Long service benefit**

- (1) On completing 7 years of continuous service, the Deputy Chief Justice is entitled to a long service benefit of 25% of his or her annual salary at the date the benefit accrues for each year of service.
- (2) At the end of each year of continuous service after 7 years of continuous service, the Deputy Chief Justice is entitled to a long service benefit of 25% of his or her annual salary as at the date the benefit accrues.

**27. Gratuity**

The Deputy Chief Justice is entitled to a gratuity at the end of each completed year of service of 10% of his or her annual salary as at the date the Deputy Chief Justice completes the year of service.

**28. Termination grant**

At the end of the Deputy Chief Justice's term of office, the Deputy Chief Justice is entitled to the termination grant specified in the Schedule.

**29. Other benefits**

The Deputy Chief Justice is entitled to all other benefits available to a public officer under the General Orders or regulations made under the *Public Service Act* (Cap.92) that are not inconsistent with and not dealt with by these Regulations.

**30. Schedule**

The Schedule has effect.

**31. Review of Regulations**

These Regulations must be reviewed annually to determine whether it is appropriate to make an adjustment to the rates of salary and allowances for the Deputy Chief Justice.

**32. Repeal and transitional provision**

The Constitutional Offices (Terms and Conditions of Service) (Deputy Chief Justice) Regulations 2014 (LN 77 of 2014) are repealed.

MADE AT HONIARA this tenth day of August, 2015.

HON. MANASSEH DAMUKANA SOGAVARE  
PRIME MINISTER

## SCHEDULE

## AMOUNTS PAYABLE TO DEPUTY CHIEF JUSTICE

regulation 30

| <b>Regulation</b> | <b>Description</b>  | <b>Amount</b>  |
|-------------------|---|--|
| 5                 | Fortnightly salary  | \$7,403.85   |
| 7                 | Monthly housing allowance   | \$16,500   |
| 9                 | Monthly utilities allowance   | \$5,500  |
| 11                | Monthly vehicle allowance   | \$5,500  |
| 11                | Monthly fuel allowance  | \$3,300  |
| 15                | Daily overseas travel allowance   | US\$330  |
| 17                | Daily local travel allowance  | \$440  |
| 18                | Annual clothing allowance   | \$13,200   |
| 20                | Annual entertainment allowance  | \$10,450   |
| 23                | Annual education allowance  | \$13,200   |
| 24                | Daily higher duties allowance   |  |
|                   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Governor-General or Chief Justice</li> <li>• Judge of the Court of Appeal</li> </ul> | \$50<br><br>the daily sitting fee for a Judge of the Court of Appeal |
| 25                | Appointment grant   | \$13,200   |
| 28                | Termination grant   | \$440,000  |

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**CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICES (TERMS AND CONDITIONS  
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**CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICES (TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SERVICE) (PUISNE JUDGES) REGULATIONS 2015**

**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) (Puisne Judges) Regulations 2015*.

**2. Interpretation**

(1) In these Regulations:

“**child**”, of a Puisne Judge, means a child of the Puisne Judge who is under 21 years of age and who is living with and financially dependent on the Puisne Judge.

(2) Unless otherwise specified, if an amount is expressed in dollars in these Regulations, the dollars are Solomon Islands dollars.

**3. Term of office**

The term of office of a Puisne Judge is as specified in section 80 of the Constitution.

**4. Functions**

The functions of a Puisne Judge are those prescribed under Part II of Chapter VII of the Constitution.

**5. Salary**

A Puisne Judge is entitled to the fortnightly salary specified in the Schedule.

## 6. NPF contributions

A Puisne Judge must make contributions to the Solomon Islands National Provident Fund as required under the *National Provident Fund Act* (Cap.109)

## 7. Housing

- (1) A Puisne Judge is entitled:
  - (a) to be provided with an official residence free of rent; or
  - (b) at the option of the Puisne Judge, to be paid the monthly housing allowance specified in the Schedule.
- (2) The Puisne Judge may elect to receive up to 4 years of the housing allowance in advance for the purpose of purchasing a residence.
- (3) If the Puisne Judge elects to receive an advance on the housing allowance:
  - (a) subregulation (1) does not apply for the period of the advance; and
  - (b) the Puisne Judge is not entitled to receive any increase in the allowance that is made during the period of the advance.
- (4) If a Puisne Judge receives an advance on the housing allowance and the Puisne Judge ceases to hold office before the end of the period of the advance, the outstanding amount of the advance is a debt due and payable by the Puisne Judge to the Government.

## 8. Security

The Government is responsible for providing adequate security at the official residence of a Puisne Judge.

**9. Utilities**

The Government must either;

- (a) at the option of a Puisne Judge, pay the Puisne Judge the monthly utilities allowance specified in the Schedule; or
- (b) pay the cost of water, gas, telephone, and electricity provided to the Puisne Judge's official residence, and the cost of a mobile phone, up to a total amount each month not exceeding the monthly utilities allowance.

**10. Domestic staff**

The Government must pay the wages for the services of a driver and a domestic employee for a Puisne Judge's official residence.

**11. Vehicle**

- (1) A Puisne Judge is entitled:
  - (a) to be provided with a vehicle of a type compatible with the safety and security of the Puisne Judge and his or her family; or
  - (b) to be paid the monthly vehicle allowance specified in the Schedule.
- (2) The Government must replace a vehicle provided under subregulation (1) at least once every 5 years.
- (3) The Government must give the Puisne Judge the option to purchase the replaced vehicle at a price determined by the Permanent Secretary of the Ministry responsible for infrastructure.
- (4) If the Puisne Judge elects to receive a monthly vehicle allowance, the Puisne Judge may elect to receive up to 4 years of the vehicle allowance in advance for the purpose of purchasing a vehicle.

- (5) If the Puisne Judge elects to receive an advance on the vehicle allowance for a vehicle:
  - (a) subregulation (1) does not apply in relation to the vehicle for the period of the advance; and
  - (b) the Puisne Judge is not entitled to receive any increase in the monthly vehicle allowance that is made during the period of the advance.
- (6) If a Puisne Judge receives an advance on the vehicle allowance and the Puisne Judge ceases to hold office before the end of the period of the advance, the outstanding amount of the advance is a debt due and payable by the Puisne Judge to the Government.
- (7) The Puisne Judge is entitled to be paid the monthly fuel allowance specified in the Schedule.

## **12. Leave**

- (1) A Puisne Judge is entitled to annual leave at the rate of 3.5 days each month (42 days each year) for every year of service.
- (2) Annual leave must be taken during the year of service in which it accrues.
- (3) The Puisne Judge is entitled to long service leave for 60 consecutive days for every 5 years of continuous service.

## **13. Transport on leave**

- (1) A Puisne Judge, his or her spouse and any child of the Puisne Judge are each entitled to one free return air or sea passage from Honiara to a relevant place of domicile for each entitlement of 42 days annual leave or 60 days long service leave.

- (2) In this regulation:

*“relevant place of domicile”* means:

- (a) the Puisne Judge’s place of domicile; or
- (b) if the Puisne Judge’s spouse is not a citizen of Solomon Islands, the spouse’s place of domicile.

**14. Compassionate leave travel**

A Puisne Judge is entitled to 2 return air or sea passages from Honiara to another place within Solomon Islands each year if required for the purpose of compassionate leave.

**15. Overseas travel allowance**

- (1) While on official travel outside Solomon Islands, a Puisne Judge is entitled:
  - (a) to the daily overseas travel allowance specified in the Schedule; and
  - (b) to have transport and accommodation provided.
- (2) If the Puisne Judge is accompanied by his or her spouse on official travel outside Solomon Islands, the spouse is entitled to the daily overseas travel allowance.
- (3) If the travel allowance of the Puisne Judge or his or her spouse is funded by a source other than the Government and the amount paid for each day is less than the daily overseas travel allowance, the Government must pay the difference between the amount paid and the daily overseas travel allowance.

**16. Overseas travel class**

- (1) A Puisne Judge is entitled to first class air travel (or, if unavailable, the next available travel class) on all official travel outside Solomon Islands.

- (2) If the Puisne Judge is accompanied by his or her spouse on official travel outside Solomon Islands, the spouse is entitled to first class air travel (or, if unavailable, the next available travel class).

**17. Local travel allowance**

- (1) While on official travel within Solomon Islands, a Puisne Judge is entitled:
  - (a) to the daily local travel allowance specified in the Schedule; and
  - (b) to have transport and accommodation provided.
- (2) If the Puisne Judge is accompanied by his or her spouse on official travel within Solomon Islands, the spouse is entitled to the daily local travel allowance.

**18. Clothing allowance**

A Puisne Judge is entitled to the annual clothing allowance specified in the Schedule.

**19. Baggage allowance**

A Puisne Judge is entitled to the baggage allowance prescribed for public officers in the General Orders made under the *Public Service Act* (Cap.92).

**20. Entertainment allowance**

A Puisne Judge is entitled to the annual entertainment allowance specified in the Schedule.

**21. Medical treatment**

- (1) A Puisne Judge, his or her spouse and any child of the Puisne Judge are each entitled to medical examination and treatment in accordance with the terms prescribed for public officers in the General Orders made under the *Public Service Act* (Cap.92).
- (2) The Puisne Judge, his or her spouse and any child of the Puisne Judge are each entitled to receive medical examination and treatment outside Solomon Islands at the expense of the Government if a medical practitioner engaged by the Ministry responsible for health certifies that the examination or treatment:
  - (a) is necessary; and
  - (b) is not available in Solomon Islands.

**22. Funeral expensess**

If a Puisne Judge dies while in office, the Government must pay all funeral expenses and any expenses incidental to the funeral.

**23. Education allowance**

A Puisne Judge is entitled to the annual education allowance specified in the Schedule.

**24. Higher duties**

A Puisne Judge is entitled to the daily higher duties allowance specified in the Schedule whenever he or she is required to perform the duties of an office specified opposite the allowance.

**25. Appointment grant**

A Puisne Judge is entitled to the appointment grant specified in the Schedule on his or her first appointment as Puisne Judge.

**26. Long service benefit**

- (1) On completing 7 years of continuous service, a Puisne Judge is entitled to a long service benefit of 25% of his or her annual salary as at the date the benefit accrues for each year of service.
- (2) At the end of each year of continuous service after 7 years of continuous service, a Puisne Judge is entitled to a long service benefit of 25% of his or her annual salary as at the date the benefit accrues.

**27. Gratuity**

A Puisne Judge is entitled to a gratuity at the end of each completed year of service of 10% of his or her annual salary as at the date the Puisne Judge completes the year of service.

**28. Termination grant**

At the end of a Puisne Judge's term of office, the Puisne Judge is entitled to the termination grant specified in the Schedule.

**29. Other benefits**

A Puisne Judge is entitled to all other benefits available to a public officer under the General Orders or regulations made under the *Public Service Act* (Cap.92) that are not inconsistent with and not dealt with by these Regulations.

**30. Schedule**

The Schedule has effect.

**31. Review of Regulations**

These Regulations must be reviewed annually to determine whether it is appropriate to make an adjustment to the rates of salary and allowances for a Puisne Judge.

**32. Repeal and transitional provision**

The following regulations are repealed:

- (a) the *Constitutional Offices (Terms and Conditions of Service) (Puisne Judges) Regulations 2010* (LN 76 of 2010);
- (b) the *Constitutional Offices (Terms and Conditions of Service) (Puisne Judge) (Amendment) Regulations 2013* (LN 101 of 2013).

MADE AT HONIARA this tenth day of August, 2015.

HON. MANASSEH DAMUKANA SOGAVARE  
PRIME MINISTER

## SCHEDULE

## AMOUNTS PAYABLE TO PUISNE JUDGE

regulation 30

| <b>Regulaion</b> | <b>Description</b>  | <b>Amount</b>  |
|------------------|---|--|
| 5                | Fortnightly salary  | \$6,730.77   |
| 7                | Monthly housing allowance   | \$15,000   |
| 9                | Monthly utilities allowance   | \$5,000  |
| 11               | Monthly vehicle allowance   | \$5,000  |
| 11               | Monthly fuel allowance  | \$3,000  |
| 15               | Daily overseas travel allowance   | US\$300  |
| 17               | Daily local travel allowance  | \$400  |
| 18               | Annual clothing allowance   | \$12,000   |
| 20               | Annual entertainment allowance  | \$9,500  |
| 23               | Annual education allowance  | \$12,000   |
| 24               | Daily higher duties allowance   | \$50   |
|                  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Governor-General, Chief Justice or Deputy Chief Justice</li> <li>• Judge of the Court of Appeal</li> </ul> | \$50<br><br>the daily sitting fee for a Judge of the Court of Appeal |
| 25               | Appointment grant   | \$12,000   |
| 28               | Termination grant   | \$400,000  |