

**IN THE ISLAND COURT (LAND) OF
THE REPUBLIC OF VANUATU –
Lakatoro, Malekula
(Custom Land Jurisdiction)**

Case No. 24/1464 IC/CUST

IN THE MATTER OF:	Section 58 of the Custom Land Management Act No. 33 of 2013 (As Amended)
AND IN THE MATTER OF:	Tenmel Customary Land, Malekula
AND IN THE MATTER OF:	Larvat Village Land Tribunal decision, dated 8th August, 2009

**BETWEEN: Michael Stephen Otak
Tautu village
Malekula**

Applicant

**AND: Larvat Village Land Tribunal
Malekula**

First Respondent

**AND: Sethy Aiman
Larvat village
West Malekula**

Second Respondent

Coram:

Ms B. Kanas Joshua, Chairlady

Justice Douglas Fatdal

Justice Patisson Peter

Justice Joses Lingi

Justice Precilla Susurup

Counsels:

Mr E. Macreveth, for the Applicant

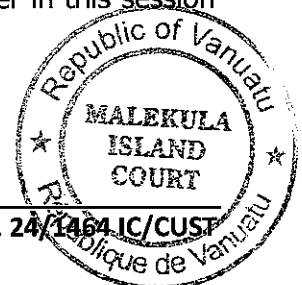
Mr S. Aron, for the 1st Respondent

Mr D. Yawha, for 2nd Respondent

MINUTE & ORDER

Minute

1. The applicant was present in Lakatoro court house. Counsel for the applicant informed the Court via email that he would make his way to Malekula this week by sea transportation due to the liquidation of Air Vanuatu.
2. Mr Yawha appeared in court room 3 at Dumbea Hall, in Vila. Mr Aron appeared in Lakatoro court house. Conference was held via zoom link.
3. Mr Yawha informed the Court that he has been served the documents. However, Mr Aron indicated that he has not received any documents.
4. Mr Yawha further stated that he is unable to proceed with the matter in this session as he needs to obtain instructions from his client.
5. The court file contains the following documents:



Applicant	- Application for Review with supporting sworn statements - Application for Extension of Time for Review with supporting documents
First respondent	No documents filed
Second respondent	No documents filed

Direction Order

THE COURT makes the following directions:

- a) That the Applicant must serve the first respondent with the Applications filed and all its supporting documents.
- b) That both respondents must file a response to both Applications, and any supporting statements before the next session of Island Court (Land) in Malekula.
- c) That the matter is adjourned to **the next session of Island Court (Land) in Malekula**, for hearing of the Application for Extension of Time. Parties will be duly informed of the date.

Dated in Lakatoro, on this 30th day of May, 2024

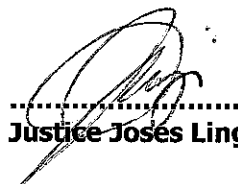
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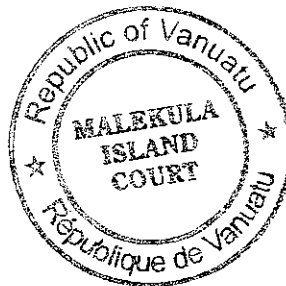
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CHAIRLADY



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