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THE WESTERN SAMOA FAUTUA APPOINTMENT REGULATIONS 1948

B. C. FREYBERG, Governor-General ORDER IN COUNCIL

At the Government Buildings at Wellington, this 10th day of March, 1948

Present:

THE RIGHT HON, P. FRASER PRESIDING IN COUNCIL

PURSUANT to the Samoa Act, 1921, and the Samoa Amendment Act, 1947, His Excellency the Governor-General, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, doth hereby make the following regulations.

REGULATIONS

- 1. These regulations may be cited as the Western Samoa Fautua Appointment Regulations 1948.
- 2. The number of Fautua holding office at any one time shall not exceed three.
 - 3. No person shall be eligible for appointment as a Fautua—
 - (a) Who being a bankrupt within the meaning of the bankruptcy laws in force in Western Samoa has not obtained an order of discharge; or
 - (b) Who is in receipt of salary from the Samoan Treasury other than remuneration and allowances payable on account of his holding office as a Faipule or as an elected member of the Legislative Assembly.
- **4.** Whenever a vacancy occurs in the number of *Fautua* authorized under Regulation 2 hereof the Governor-General may in his discretion direct the High Commissioner to invite a Committee consisting of the *Fono* of *Faipule* and the Samoan Members of the Legislative Assembly to recommend through him to the Governor-General a properly qualified person for appointment to the vacancy.
- 5. In arriving at its recommendation of a person to fill a vacancy among the *Fautua* the Committee shall appoint its own Chairman and determine its own procedure. Upon selection by the Committee of a person recommended for appointment the Chairman shall forthwith in writing under his hand report the name of that person to the High Commissioner.

- 6. If any person being a member of the Samoan Public Service or the New Zealand Public Service or the Fono of Faipule or a Samoan elected member of the Legislative Assembly or in the employment of the New Zealand Reparation Estates is appointed as a Fautua he shall forthwith upon the date on which he is appointed be deemed to have ceased to be a member of that service or of that Fono or an elected member of that Assembly or to have ceased to be so employed, as the case may be.
- 7. Fautua appointed under the Samoa Amendment Act, 1947, shall hold office during the Governor-General's pleasure.

T. J. SHERRARD,
Acting Clerk of the Executive Council.

Issued under the authority of the Regulations Act, 1936. Date of notification in *Gazette*: 11th day of March, 1948. These regulations are administered in the Department of Island Territories.