

*Regulations relating to Maori Land Boards under the Native Land Act, 1909, and its Amendments.*

LIVERPOOL, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House at Wellington, this twenty-fourth day of August, 1914.

Present :

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by the Native Land Act, 1909, and its amendments, it is enacted that the Governor may from time to time, by Order in Council, make regulations for the purposes specified in the said Act :

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Dominion of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon him by the said Act, and acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said Dominion, doth hereby make the regulations following. And it is ordered that all regulations relating to Maori Land Boards made heretofore are hereby revoked.

REGULATIONS.

1. In these regulations, unless a contrary intention appears, the expressions following have the meanings attached thereto :—

“ The Act ” means the Native Land Act, 1909, and its amendments :

“ Board ” means the Maori Land Board of the district to which the particular matter in the context refers :

“ Land Board ” means a Land Board under the Land Act, 1908 :

“ District ” means a Maori land district constituted under the Act :

“ President ” means the President of a Maori Land Board :

“ Under-Secretary ” means the Under-Secretary for Native Affairs :

“ Registrar ” means the Registrar of the Native Land Court of the district.

All other terms used in these regulations have the same signification as when used in the Act, unless a contrary intention appears.

OFFICE AND OFFICE HOURS.

2. Each Board shall have an office which shall, except on Sundays and public holidays, be open for public business from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m., but on Saturdays shall be closed at 12 noon.

MEETINGS OF THE BOARD.

3. The Board shall meet for the despatch of business at such times and places as the President may appoint. Any such meeting may be adjourned from time to time and from place to place by resolution of the Board.

4. Subject to the provisions of the Act meetings for the purpose of dealing with applications shall be notified in the *Gazette* and *Kahiti*.

APPLICATIONS.

5. All applications to the Board shall be in writing, signed by the applicant or his solicitor or agent, and shall be lodged at the office of the Board, together with the prescribed fee, at least seventeen clear days before the date on which it is proposed that the Board shall deal with the same.

6. At least ten days' notice of the intention of the Board to deal with any application shall be inserted in the *Gazette* and *Kahiti*.

7. In the course of any proceedings on an application the Board may, without further application, and upon such terms as to notice to the parties and otherwise as it thinks fit, proceed to deal with any other matter arising either directly or incidentally out of the same proceedings.

8. The Board may in its discretion deal with the subject-matter of any application in part or parts, and any application may be dismissed or (with the leave of the Board) extended, amended, or withdrawn wholly or in part.

FEEs.

9. (1.) The fees set out in the First Schedule hereto shall be paid to the Board in respect of the transactions referred to therein : Provided that, if it appears to the satisfaction of the Board or President that any person is unable to pay, or ought not to be called upon to pay, any fee, the Board or President may dispense with the payment thereof, or of any part thereof, subject to such terms as the Board or President thinks fit.

(2.) The amount of any fee not dispensed with shall be a debt due to the Board by such of the parties to the proceedings or act in or for which the said fee is payable as the Board may order.

(3.) The Board may decline to proceed in any case or to do any act in relation to land in respect of which fees are due for any former act done in relation to that land until those fees have been paid.