

5. (1.) The Public Trustee is hereby constituted a corporation sole, with perpetual succession and a seal of office.

(2.) The appointment of the Public Trustee and of the Deputy Public Trustee, and the seal of the Public Trustee, and the signature of the person for the time being holding the office of Public Trustee or of Deputy Public Trustee, shall be judicially taken notice of without further proof in all Courts in Samoa and in New Zealand.

6. The Minister of External Affairs may from time to time remove or suspend the Public Trustee or the Deputy Public Trustee, and in the case of the death, resignation, or removal of the Public Trustee or the Deputy Public Trustee appoint some other fit and proper person in his stead.

7. (1.) The Minister of External Affairs may appoint some person to act as the Deputy Public Trustee in case of the illness, death, removal, suspension, resignation, or absence from duty of the person for the time being holding the office of Public Trustee.

(2.) Such Deputy shall during the time he acts as such Deputy have all the powers and perform all the duties of the Public Trustee.

(3.) No person shall be concerned to inquire whether or not any occasion has arisen requiring or authorizing such Deputy Public Trustee to act as such Deputy, or as to the necessity or propriety of such appointment; and all acts or things done or omitted by such Deputy Public Trustee shall be as valid and effectual and shall have the same consequences as if the same had been done or omitted by the Public Trustee.

8. The Minister of External Affairs may appoint such other officers and servants as may be necessary for the purposes of this Order to hold office during the pleasure of the Minister.

9. The Public Trustee, the Deputy Public Trustee, and such other officers and servants shall be members of the Samoan Public Service.

10. (1.) There shall be an Investment Board to be called the Samoan Public Trust Office Investment Board (hereinafter referred to as "the Investment Board").

(2.) The Investment Board shall consist of—

- (i.) The Public Trustee;
- (ii.) The Treasurer of Western Samoa;
- (iii.) Three other persons (whether in the Samoan Public Service or not) to be appointed by the Minister of External Affairs.

(3.) The Investment Board shall control the investment of moneys from time to time in the Common Fund of the Public Trust Office or otherwise in the hands of the Public Trustee and available for investment, and shall have no other functions.

11. No act done by the Investment Board shall be invalid because of any vacancy in the membership of the Board, or because of any person continuing to act as a member of the Board after having vacated his seat thereon, or because of any defect or irregularity in the appointment of any member of the Board.

12. (1.) Meetings of the Investment Board shall be held at such times and places as the Board or the Chairman may from time to time appoint.

(2.) At all meetings of the Board three members shall form a quorum, and no business shall be transacted at any meeting of the Board unless a quorum is present thereat.

(3.) The Treasurer of Western Samoa shall be the Chairman of the Board, and shall preside at all meetings of the Board at which he is present.

(4.) In the event of the absence of the Chairman from any meeting of the Board the members present may elect one of their number to be chairman of the meeting.