
A BILL FOR AN ACT

To propose an amendment to section 9 of article XI of the Constitution of the Federated States of Micronesia to provide that persons graduated from accredited law schools in any country shall be admitted to practice before the Supreme Court of the Federated States of Micronesia without examination, and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA:

1 Section 1. Proposed amendment. It is hereby proposed that
2 section 9 of article XI of the Constitution of the Federated States
3 of Micronesia be amended to read as follows:

4 "Section 9. The Chief Justice is the chief administrator
5 of the national judicial system and may appoint an
6 administrative officer who is exempt from civil service.
7 The Chief Justice shall make and publish and may amend
8 rules governing national courts, and by rule may:

9 (a) divide the inferior national courts and the
10 trial division of the Supreme Court into geographical or
11 functional divisions;

12 (b) assign judges among the divisions of a court and
13 give special assignments to retired Supreme Court justices
14 and judges of state and other courts;

15 (c) establish rules of procedure and evidence;

16 (d) govern the transfer of cases between state and
17 national courts;

18 (e) govern the admission to practice and discipline
19 of attorneys and the retirement of judges; provided that,
20 otherwise qualified graduates of accredited law schools
21 in any country shall be admitted to practice before the
22 Supreme Court without examination; and

23 (f) otherwise provide for the administration of the
24 national judiciary. Judicial rules may be amended by
25 statute."


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1 Section 2. Procedure. Upon this act becoming law, the proposed
2 constitutional amendment set out in section 1 will become part
3 of the Constitution after completion of procedures and ratification as
4 required by chapter 7 of title 1 of the Code of the Federated States
5 of Micronesia.

6 Section 3. Effective date. This act shall become law upon
7 approval by the President of the Federated States of Micronesia or
8 upon its becoming law without such approval.

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10 Date: 10-29-90

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