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NO. 14 OF 2020

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY ATTORNEY ACT

[Date of assent: 9th July, 2020.]

[Date of commencement: 27th July, 2020.]

AN ACT of Parliament to: establish the Office of the County Attorney; provide for the functions and powers of the County Attorney; provide for the discharge of duties and the exercise of powers of the County Attorney; and for connected purposes

[Act No. 14 of 2020.]

PART I – PRELIMINARY

1. Short title

This Act may be cited as the Office of the County Attorney Act, 2020.

2. Interpretation

In this Act—

"Attorney-General" means the Attorney-General appointed under Article 156 of the Constitution;

"County Attorney" means the County Attorney appointed under section 5;

"County Legal Counsel" means a person appointed as such under section 18;

"County Solicitor" means a person appointed as such under section 17; and

"Office" means the office of the County Attorney established under section 4.

3. Application

This Act shall apply to the County Attorney, the County Solicitor, County Legal Counsel and such other officers who perform or discharge legal functions and such other duties as may be assigned to them in the Office.

PART II – ESTABLISHMENT AND ADMINISTRATION

4. Establishment of Office of County Attorney

(1) There is established in each county the Office of the County Attorney, which is an office in the county public service.

(2) The Office shall consist of —

(a) the County Attorney;

(b) the County Solicitor; and

(c) such other number of County Legal Counsel as the County Attorney may, in consultation with the county public service board, consider necessary.