April 21, 2017

The Honorable Tulensa W. Palik
Speaker
Eleventh Kosrae State Legislature
Tofol, Kosrae FM 96944

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Kulo nu sin God ke moul lasr. Paing kom a Honorable Members ke Sroasr Masap kewa.

Wangin pa pusra yok lasr nuka sripa lun L.B. 11-88, LD1. Oinge nga fulela bill se inge sun len ak 30 la, suc el inge putatyang nuke sie pusren Masap su orala Kosrae State Law No. 11-102.

"TO FURTHER AMEND TITLE 2, BY AMENDING SECTION 2.901(2)(b) THEREOF, TO EXPAND THE PERIOD FOR A LAWYER TO BECOME ADMITTED TO PRACTICE BEFORE THE SUPREME COURT OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA FROM ONE YEAR TO THREE YEARS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Certified copy ke masap se inge pa attached nuke letter luk.

Kulo ma lulap.

Lyndon H. Jackson
Governor, State of Kosrae
March 13, 2017

The Honorable Lyndon H. Jackson
Governor
State of Kosrae
Federated States of Micronesia 96944

Dear Governor Jackson,

I have the honor to transmit herewith for your consideration and action on L.B. No. 11-88, L.D.1, TO FURTHER AMEND TITLE 2, BY AMENDING SECTION 2.901(2)(b) THEREOF, TO EXPAND THE PERIOD FOR A LAWYER TO BECOME ADMITTED TO PRACTICE BEFORE THE SUPREME COURT OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA FROM ONE YEAR TO THREE YEARS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES; which passed the Legislature, Fifth Regular Session, by two-thirds of the members of the Legislature, a quorum is present.

Respectfully yours,

Andy J. Andrew
Chief Clerk
Kosrae State Legislature

Enclosures:
A BILL FOR AN ACT

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INTRODUCED BY: Floor Leader
Jarinson M. Charley by request

DATE: December 21, 2015

ACTION BY THE LEGISLATURE

PASSED FIRST READING: March 03, 2016

REFERRED TO:

PASSED SECOND READING: March 09, 2017

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Andy J. Andrew
Chief Clerk
Kosrae State Legislature
LEGISLATIVE BILL No. 11-88, L.D.1

We hereby certify that the foregoing Bill has passed Second and Final Readings in the Legislature, Fifth Regular Session, 2017, by two-thirds of the members of the Legislature, a quorum is present.

Tulensa W. Palik
Speaker
Eleventh Kosrae State Legislature

Andy J. Andrew
Chief Clerk
Kosrae State Legislature
A BILL FOR AN ACT

To further amend Title 2, by amending Section 2.901(2)(b) thereof, to expand the period for a lawyer to become admitted to practice before the Supreme Court of the Federated States of Micronesia from one year to three years; and for other purposes.

Section 1. Purpose. The purpose of this Act is to provide and allow ample time for a lawyer to sit and successfully pass the FSM Bar Exam.

Section 2. Amendment: Section 2.901(2)(b) of Title 2 of the Kosrae State Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

“Section 2.901.

(2) A State Lawyer must:

(a) Be or become admitted to practice before the Kosrae State Court with 3 months of hiring;

(b) Be or become admitted to practice before the Supreme Court of the Federated States of Micronesia within three years of hiring; and

(c) For purpose of this statute “hiring” means the date upon which a contract employee begins working for compensation.

(d) Any person employed as a State Lawyer who fails to meet the requirements of Subsection (2) within the time limits of that subsection shall be immediately dismissed from the position by the State Lawyer’s Branch Head and may not be reemployed as a State lawyer until he meets all requirements.

(e) Any person employed as a State lawyer on the effective date of S.L. No. 7-214 (May 2, 2002) has three month from the effective
date to meet the requirements of Section 2.901(2)(a) and one year
from the effective date to meet the requirements of Section
2.901(2)(b).

PASSED BY THE ELEVENTH KOSRAE STATE LEGISLATURE ON THE 9TH DAY
OF MARCH, 2017.

Tulensa W. Palik
Speaker, Eleventh Kosrae State Legislature

Attested by:

Chief Clerk

Lyndon H. Jackson
Governor, State of Kosrae

Date:______________________