



THE CONSTITUTIONAL APPOINTMENTS AUTHORITY

APPOINTMENT OF A CHIEF INFORMATION COMMISSIONER

Applications are invited from persons who are qualified under Section 37 of Access to Information Act 2018 (No 4) for appointments as Chief Information Commissioner.

The powers and duties of the Information Commission are stipulated in Sections 48 and 49 of Access to Information Act including the following:-

- determine the nature, process and undertakings necessary to discharge its mandate in terms of the Act including all work necessary for the promotion, monitoring and protection of the right of access to information;
- resolve a matter through negotiation, conciliation or mediation where it deems such recourse appropriate;
- determine the need for, form or type of investigation required for the determination of any matter;
- authorise or undertake any such action it deems necessary or appropriate for the execution of its mandate under the Act;
- conduct matters with as little technicality or formality and as expeditiously as possible;
- consider the needs of persons who wish to make protected disclosures, minors and other vulnerable groups;
- hold hearings in public unless it is inappropriate to do so;
- publish quarterly in the manner as may be prescribed, its findings, recommendations, orders, decisions and directives;
- issue written orders obliging the production of information;
- examine, reproduce, take extracts from or hold information for as long as is necessary;
- require the production of information to which access has been refused on the basis of an exemption for the purpose of deciding whether it is an exempt document ;
- limit access to information by the parties in terms of the Act;
- promote awareness, educate and popularise the right of access to information;

A person to be appointed as Chief Information Commissioner shall have wide experience and knowledge in any one or more of the following fields of services:

- (a) accounting
- (b) administration and governance
- (c) law,
- (d) science and technology
- (e) management; or
- (f) social science

A person having the qualification referred to above is eligible to be appointed if that person:

- (a) is a citizen of Seychelles and resides permanently in Seychelles,
- (b) is of proven integrity ;
- (c) has distinguished record of public service, or service in a profession or vocation

A person shall not be appointed as the Chief Information Commissioner if that person:

- (a) holds office in, or is an employee of a political party;
- (b) has been convicted and served a sentence of imprisonment for a term of six months or more for an offence involving fraud, dishonesty or moral turpitude.

The term of office, salary and allowance of the Chief Information Commissioner, shall be such as may be prescribed.

The attention of the applicants is drawn to the CAA Rules and Guidelines on the Selection and Appointment of Constitutional Appointees (other than Judicial Officers) and Appointees made under the Laws of Seychelles(Acts). This can be viewed on the Authority's website:www.caaseychelles.com

Applications including CVs, police certificate, and the names and contacts of two referees should reach the office of the Chairperson, on or before 30th July 2021. Applications can be e-mailed.

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