

MAGISTRATES' COURTS (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1992

No. 6



of 1992

ARRANGEMENT OF SECTIONS

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An Act to amend the Magistrates' Courts Act.

Date of Assent: 16th April, 1992.

Date of Commencement: 1st May, 1992.

ENACTED by the Parliament of Botswana

1. This Act may be cited as the Magistrates' Court (Amendment) Act, 1992. Short title

2. The definition of the word "magistrate" appearing in section 2 of the Magistrates' Courts Act, hereinafter referred to as "the Act", is amended by inserting immediately before the words "a Senior Magistrate" the words "a Principal Magistrate". Amendment
of section 2,
Cap. 04:04

3. Section 8 of the Act is amended —

(a) by substituting for subsection (1) thereof the following new subsection — Amendment
of section 8

"(1). There shall be five grades of magistrate, namely, Chief Magistrate, Principal Magistrate, Senior Magistrate, Magistrate Grade I and Magistrate Grade II."; and

(b) in subsection (4) thereof by inserting immediately after the words "The Registrar" the words "and the Deputy Registrar".

4. Section 10 of the Act is amended —

(a) in subsection (1) thereof, by inserting immediately after the words "Chief Magistrates" a comma and the words ", Principal Magistrates"; and Amendment
of section 10

- (b) in subsection (2) thereof by inserting immediately after the words "Chief Magistrate" a comma and the words ", Principal Magistrate".
- Amendment of section 17 5. Section 17 of the Act is amended —
- (a) in subsection (1) thereof by inserting immediately after the words "Chief Magistrate" a comma and the words ", a Principal Magistrate" and by substituting for the figures "P2 000" wherever they occur the figures "P5 000" in each case; and
- (b) in subsection (2) thereof by substituting for the figures "P1 000" the figures "P3 000" and by substituting for the figures "P400" the figures "P1 000".
- Amendment of section 60 6. Section 60(1) of the Act is amended by inserting immediately after the words "Chief Magistrate" wherever they occur the words "a Principal Magistrate" in each case.
- Amendment of section 61 7. Subsections (1) (b) and (2) (b) of section 61 are amended by inserting immediately above the words "Senior Magistrates" wherever they occur the words "Principal Magistrates" in each case.
- Amendment of section 63 8. Section 63 of the Act is amended by inserting immediately after the words "Chief Magistrate" the words "a Principal Magistrate", and by substituting for the words "one week" appearing in lines 6 and 7 thereof the words "three weeks".

PASSED by the National Assembly this 30th day of March, 1992.

C.G. MOKOBI,
Clerk of the National Assembly.