

ELECTION PETITION (MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS) RULES 2022

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

The *Election Petition Rules 2017* made significant changes to the practice and procedure of the National Court regarding the hearing and determination of election petitions. These included:

- providing a standard form of petition;
- regulating objections to competency;
- rules as to service of petitions; and
- simplifying identification of the parties to petitions.

The *Election Petition (Miscellaneous Amendments) Rules 2022* amend the 2017 Rules by the repeal and replacement of rules 17 (*joint trial of two or more petitions*) and 22 (*relief from rules*).

JUSTICE CANNINGS
CHAIRMAN, RULES COMMITTEE
