

PETER TALI COLEMAN
Governor

AMERICAN SAMOA GOVERNMENT OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR PAGO PAGO, AMERICAN SAMOA 96799

TUFELE LI'A Lt. Governor

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 7-1983

CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION

COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, orderly and considered political development is of fundamental importance to American Samoa; and

WHEREAS, the Revised Constitution of American Samoa of 1967 is a key element in the present status of the political development of American Samoa; and

WHEREAS, there are numerous and significant provisions of the Revised Constitution of American Samoa of 1967 which are the subject of current discussion for change; and

WHEREAS, the Revised Constitution of American Samoa of 1967 does not provide for a constitutional convention to consider revisions of the Constitution other than a single convention five years after the effective date of said Constitution; and

WHEREAS, on August 16, 1983 the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Assistant Secretary for Territorial and International Affairs and pursuant to Executive Order No. 10264 of June 29, 1951 delegating the authority of the President of the United States to provide a government for American Samoa to the Secretary of the Interior, authorized the Governor of American Samoa to call a constitutional convention to convene in January of 1984 and consider revision of the Revised Constitution of American Samoa of 1967.

NOW, THEREFORE, by the authority vested in the Governor of American Samoa under the Revised Constitution of American Samoa of 1967, and the statutory laws of American Samoa, it is hereby ordered:

1. There is established the Constitutional Convention Committee.

- 2. The function of the Committee is to provide necessary preparation for the Constitutional Convention to be called and, in January 1984, convened to consider revision of the Revised Constitution of American Samoa of 1967. To carry out this function, the Committee shall:
 - a. review and study the provisions of the Revised Constitution of American Samoa of 1967;
 - b. identify the provisions of the Revised Constitution of American Samoa of 1967 which should be in particular the subject of debate and decision by the Constitutional Convention;
 - c. prepare drafts of both amendments to the existing provisions of the Revised Constitution of American Samoa of 1967 and a revised constitution for consideration by the Constitutional Convention;
 - d. collect research materials for consideration by the Constitutional Convention; and
 - e. provide all other related and incidental assistance as is appropriate to preparation for the Constitutional Convention.
- 3. Members of the Committee are:

Salanoa S.P. Aumoeualogo

Lt. Governor Tufele Li'a

District Governor Faumuina Molitau

District Governor Tuitele K. Atofau

District Governor Aolaolagi Soli

Tama Matua Tuiolemotu Faaaopega

Tama Matua Mulitauaopele Tamotu

To'oto'o Tulifua Siva

Senator Lutu Tenari S. Fuimaono

Senator Faiivae A. Galea'i

Senator Lefiti Faafetai

Three members of the House of Representatives to be appointed by the Speaker

Chairman

Governor's Office representative Eastern District

Western District

Manu'a District

Western District

Eastern District

Manu'a District

Otto Haleck

Rev. Ulisese Sala

Tuiteleleapaga Napoleone

Mere Betham

Vera Annesley

HC Mauga Fesagaiga Ioane

HC A.U. Fuimaono

Business representative

Church representative

Public representative

Women representative

Women representative

Special representative

Special representative

4. The Committee shall be provided legal, secretarial and clerical staff support. Members of the legal staff are:

Senator Talalelei Tulafono

Representative J.D. Hall, Jr.

Attorney General Aviata Faalevao

Michael Kruse, Esq.

Su'esu'e Lutu L., Esq.

Albert Mailo, Esq.

Deputy Attorney General Eni F. Hunkin, Jr.

Lyle L. Richmond, Esq.

Public Defender Soli Aumoeualogo

Legislative Counsel Aitofele Sagapolutele

Dated: September 20, 1983

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