
Fifth Session Eleventh Parliament Republic of
Trinidad and Tobago



REPUBLIC OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

Act No. 8 of 2020

[L.S.]

AN ACT to amend the Constitution (Prescribed Matters)
Act, Chap. 1:02, the Interpretation Act, Chap. 3:01
and the Judicial and Legal Service Act, Chap. 6:01

[Assented to 26th March, 2020]

ENACTED by the Parliament of Trinidad and Tobago as Enactment
follows:

1. This Act may be cited as the Short title Miscellaneous Provisions (Age of Retirement of Judges, Interpretation and Chief Judicial Officers) Act, 2020.

Chap. 1:02 amended **2.** The Constitution (Prescribed Matters) Act is amended by inserting after section 3, the following section:

“Retirement
age of a
Judge 3A. The age at which a Judge is required to vacate his office under section 136(1) of the Constitution is seventy years.”.

Chap. 3:01 amended **3.** Section 63 of the Interpretation Act is amended by deleting the words “five hundred dollars” and substituting the words “one hundred thousand dollars and a term of imprisonment not exceeding five years”.

Chap. 6:01 amended **4.** The Judicial and Legal Service Act is amended—
(a) in section 2, by inserting after the definition of “Chief Legal Officer”, the following definition:

“ “Chief Judicial Officer” means a Master of the High Court, the Chief Magistrate, the Registrar and Marshal or the Court Executive Administrator;” and

(b) in section 15—

(i) in subsection (1)(a), by deleting the words “the Masters of the High Court, the Chief Magistrate and the Registrar and Marshal” and substituting the words “a Chief Judicial Officer”; and

(ii) by inserting after subsection (1A), the following subsection:

“ (1B) The terms and conditions of service of Chief Judicial Officers shall be equivalent to those of Chief Legal Officers.”.

Passed in the House of Representatives this 4th day
of March, 2020.

J. SAMPSON-MEIGUEL

Clerk of the House

Passed in the Senate this 17th day of March, 2020.

B. CAESAR

Clerk of the Senate

Senate amendments were agreed to by the House of
Representatives this 25th day of March, 2020.

J. SAMPSON-MEIGUEL

Clerk of the House