

THE REPUBLIC OF KIRIBATI

THE CITIZENSHIP ACT

(Chapter 8A)

THE CITIZENSHIP (REGISTRATION) REGULATIONS 1983

These Regulations are made in accordance with the provisions of Section 12 of the Citizenship Act (Chapter 8A).

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Citizenship (Registration) Regulations 1983.
2. These Regulations prescribe the manner in which application is to be made for registration as a citizen of Kiribati under Section 23 of the Constitution.
3. Such application for registration shall be made in writing to the Citizenship Commission and at the same time a copy of such application shall be delivered to the Minister.

Short title

Purpose

Procedure

Application

4. Such application shall be in the form in Schedule hereto and shall contain the particulars therein specified and such other particulars as the Commission may from time to time or in any particular case require.

Proof of
entitlement

5. Such application shall be accompanied by documentary or other evidence as proof of entitlement to registration, and the Commission shall be entitled to call for other evidence of entitlement as they shall in their discretion think fit, whether an affidavit or otherwise.

6(i) Before considering an application for registration under S.23 of the Constitution, the Commission shall cause to be published in a local newspaper, and to be broadcast on Radio Kiribati, a notice specifying the name, age and address of the applicant and his occupation if any, stating briefly the nature of the application, and the period during which any person who wishes to object to the application, may make representations to the Commission.

6(ii) Such period shall be not less than fourteen days from the date of the publication or broadcasting of the notice.

(iii) The applicant shall pay for the costs of advertising as aforesaid, at the time of lodging his application.

7. Upon grant of an application and payment of a fee not exceeding \$10-00 the applicant shall be issued a Certificate to that effect in the form in Schedule 2.

8(i) Upon grant or refusal of an application the Commission shall as soon as practicable cause to be published in the Kiribati Gazette a notice to that effect.

(ii) Upon refusal no further application for registration may be made until the expiration of 6 months from the date of refusal.

SCHEDULE 1

FORM OF APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION AS A CITIZEN OF KIRIBATI UNDER SECTION 23. OF THE CONSTITUTION

Name of applicant:

Address of Applicant:

Age and Date of Birth:

Occupation :
(If none write
"none" and last
occupation)

Place of Birth:

Name and Address of
both parents:

1. I, the above named applicant do hereby claim that I am a person of I-Kiribati descent and entitled to be registered as a citizen of Kiribati in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution, and hereby apply for a Certificate of Registration under Section 23 of the Constitution.
2. The grounds on which I support my claim to be of I-Kiribati descent are these:
See Note a) below
3. I enclose the following documents in support of my claim;
See Note B) below
4. The following persons will confirm my claim to entitlement:
See Note c) below

Dated this day of 19

Signed by
the applicant

~~in the presence of:~~
(See note d) below).

Notes to above:

- a) Set out precisely the grounds claimed and trace descent from a person born in Kiribati before 1900, specifying names and addresses and dates of birth and death of ancestors wherever possible.
- b) Enclosure wherever possible original certificates of birth and death and of any other documents which may support your claim. Keep copies for your own retention and obtain a receipt for originals lodged with your application. Specify whether your are enclosing the original or a copy.
- c) If documentary evidence is not available or may be inadequate, or in any event you know persons who will support your claim, put their name and address in the space provided.
- d) Two independent (not relatives) must sign with their usual signatures, printing below each signature his or her full name address and occupation.

SCHEDULE 2

CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION AS A CITIZEN OF KIRIBATI UNDER SECTION 23 OF THE CONSTITUTION

By application dated the day of 19
(full name of applicant) of

(address) who was born on the (date of birth) applied to be registered as a citizen of Kiribati by virtue of the provisions of Section 23 of the Constitution, namely that he/she (delete one) is of I-Kiribati descent.

The Citizenship Commission is satisfied on the evidence produced that the said applicant is entitled to be registered as a citizen, and NOW HEREBY under and by virtue of the Constitution (Section 23) and of the Citizenship Act (Chapter 8A) and of the Regulations made thereunder, REGISTERS the said (full name of applicant) as a citizen of Kiribati and grants to him this Certificate.

Dated

Signed:

The Citizenship Commission

Dated this 20th day of September, 1983

TEATAO TEANNAKI
Minister of Home Affairs and
Decentralization

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for Secretary to the Cabinet

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