

IN THE ISLAND COURT (LAND) OF
THE REPUBLIC OF VANUATU –
Lakatoro, Malekula
(Custom Land Jurisdiction)

Case No. 17/2584 IC/CUST

IN THE MATTER OF: SECTION 45 OF THE CUSTOMARY
LAND MANAGEMENT ACT NO. 33 OF
2013 (Amendment)

AND IN THE MATTER OF: METENAWA, TENMARU, LANAN,
ANDUWAI, AMELTT, VAHASAMAI
LAND WUNON NAKAMAL & VAHAS
CUSTOMARY LAND TRIBUNAL, NORTH
WEST MALEKULA

AND IN THE MATTER OF: A DECISION OF VAHAS LAND
TRIBUNAL, DATED 29TH MAY, 2009

BETWEEN: Family Sumsum

Represented by Wilson Sumsum
Lanan village
Malekula

First Applicant

AND: Family Titus

Represented by Chief Isaiah Titus
Metenawa village
Malekula

Second Applicant

AND: Family Jerry Bong

Represented by Johnsley Jerry Bong
Vahas village
Malekula

Third Applicant

AND: Vahas Village Land Tribunal (Single
Nakamal)

Malekula

First Respondent

AND: Chief Moise Joel

Bridely Litor

Renol Asasa

Silton Harry

David Aranmu

Jerry Laplele

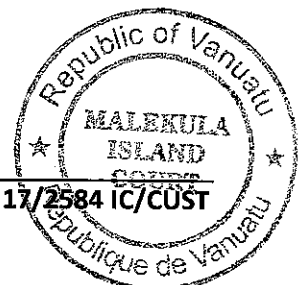
George Laplele

North West Malekula

Second Respondents

Coram:

Senior Magistrate B. Kanas Joshua, Chairlady



Justice Douglas Fatdal
 Justice Patisson Peter
 Justice Joses Lingi
 Justice Presila Susurup

Counsels:

Mr. J. Tari, for the 1st, 2nd and 3rd Applicants

Mr. S. Aron, for the 1st Respondent

Mr. S. Kalsakau, for the 2nd Respondent

MINUTE & ORDER

Minute

1. Conference was held in the Lakatoro Court, with legal representatives present in Court Room 3 at Dumbea Hall in Vila, via video conference between Malekula and Vila.
2. Mr. Kalsakau reminded the Court that there is a pending Application for Strike Out to be heard. He added that he has amended this Application and served on Mr. Tari and Mr. Aron.
3. Mr Tari and Mr. Aron confirmed receipt of the amended Application for Strike Out.
4. Contained in the court file are the following documents:

Applicant	- Application for Review - Submission for the Applicants
First Respondent	- Response to the Application for Review
Second Respondent	- Application to Strike Out Application for Review, filed by first, second and third Applicants - Amended Application to Strike Out the Application for Review, filed on 19/9/17

There are no responses filed by the Applicant to the Application to Strike Out.

5. The annexures for the sworn statement of Raptigh Leo, George Willietien & Jerry Bong, in support of the Application for Review appears to be incomplete.

Direction Order

THE COURT makes the following directions,

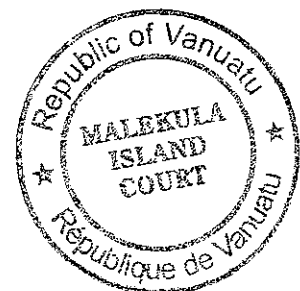
- a) That the Applicant must file a response to the amended Application to Strike Out by next court date, and have it filed on the parties.
- b) That the Applicant must file a complete sworn statement of Raptigh Leo, George Willietien & Jerry Bong (filing date 19/9/17) with all the annexures, and have it served on all parties.
- c) That the matter is adjourned to **4th June, 2024, at 2:00pm** for the hearing of the Application for Strike Out.

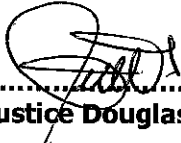
Dated in Lakatoro, on this 30th day of May, 2024

BY THE COURT

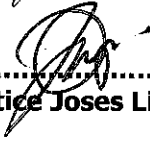


**B. Kanas Joshua (SM)
 CHAIRLADY**

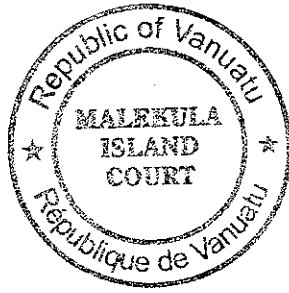




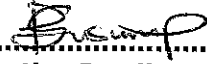
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