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THE EAST AFRICAN LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS ACT, 2011

THE EAST AFRICAN LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS (ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE ASSEMBLY) RULES, 2017
(L.N. No. 58 of 2017)

INVITATION FOR APPLICATIONS FOR NOMINATION AND ELECTION TO THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE EAST AFRICAN LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

IT IS notified for the information of the general public that the positions of member of the East African Legislative Assembly shall fall vacant on 4th June, 2016.

It is further notified that Article 50 (1) of the Treaty for the Establishment of the East African Community requires the Parliament of each Partner State to the Community to elect, not from among its members, nine members of the Assembly who shall represent in as much as it is feasible, the various political parties represented in the Parliament, shades of opinion, gender and other special interest groups in the Partner State.

Pursuant to Article 50(2) of the Treaty, a person is qualified to be elected as a member of the East African Legislative Assembly if such person—

(i) is a citizen of Kenya;
(ii) is qualified to be elected as a Member of Parliament under the Constitution of Kenya;
(iii) does not hold office as a Cabinet Secretary;
(iv) is not an officer in the Service of the East African Community; and
(v) has proven experience or interest in consolidating and furthering the aims and objectives of the Community.

It is therefore notified that an election of Members of the East African Legislative Assembly shall be held on a date to be notified by the presiding officers in accordance with Rule 15(1) of the East African Legislative Assembly Elections (Election of Members of the Assembly) Rules, 2017.

Pursuant to Rule 4(a) of the of the East African Legislative Assembly Elections (Election of Members of the Assembly) Rules, 2017, applications are hereby invited from qualified persons as follows—

1. Nomination by political parties

A person seeking to be nominated for election by a political party shall submit his or her application (together with certified copies of certificates and testimonials), indicating the political party whose nomination the applicant seeks, to the presiding officers, who are-

(a) the Clerk of the Senate/Secretary, Parliamentary Service Commission, P.O. Box 41842-00100, Nairobi, or hand-delivered to the Office of the Clerk of the Senate, First Floor, Main Parliament Buildings, Nairobi; or

(b) the Clerk of the National Assembly, P.O. Box 41842-00100, Nairobi, or hand-delivered to the Office of the Clerk of the National Assembly, First Floor, Main Parliament Buildings, Nairobi,
or emailed to eala@parliament.go.ke so as to be received on or before Thursday, 4th May, 2017 by 5:00 p.m. for onward transmission to the relevant political party.

The political parties shall thereafter be required to nominate persons for election to the East African Legislative Assembly and submit the names of the nominees to the presiding officers on the nomination day. The names of the nominees shall be presented in the format prescribed in rule 8(1) and the First Schedule to the Rules.

2. Election independent of a political party

In accordance with rule 9 of the Rules, a person intending to vie for election independent of a political party shall submit his or her duly filled nomination form in the format prescribed in rule 9 and the Second Schedule to the Rules (together with certified copies of certificates and testimonials) to the presiding officers on the nomination day.

Pursuant to rule 4 of the East African Legislative Assembly Elections (Election of Members of the Assembly) Rules Thursday, 11th May, 2017 is hereby appointed as the nomination day. In accordance with rule 10, nomination papers shall be delivered to the presiding officers on the nomination day commencing at 9:00 a.m. and ending at 4:00 p.m. in County Hall, 1st Floor, Mini Chamber, Parliament Buildings, Nairobi.


Dated the 26th April, 2017.

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Parliamentary Service Commission.