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THE ARCHITECTS REGISTRATION ACT.

Commencement: 29 March, 1996.

An Act to provide for the establishment of an Architects Registration Board, to define the powers and functions of the board, to provide for the registration of architects and other related matters.

PART I—INTERPRETATION.

1. Interpretation.

In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires—

- (a) “appointed day” means the day declared by the Minister to be the appointed day for the purpose of this Act;
- (b) “board” means the Architects Registration Board established under section 2;
- (c) “chairperson” means the chairperson of the architects registration board;
- (d) “member” means a member of the Architects Registration Board;
- (e) “Minister” means the Minister responsible for lands, housing and physical planning;
- (f) “register” means the register kept under section 9;
- (g) “registered architect” means a person whose name is for the time being entered in the register;
- (h) “registrar” in relation to the Architects Registration Board includes “secretary”;
- (i) “society” means the Uganda Society of Architects;
- (j) “vice chairperson” means the vice chairperson of the Architects Registration Board.

PART II—ESTABLISHMENT, FUNCTIONS AND MEMBERSHIP OF THE BOARD.

2. Establishment of the board.

(1) There is established a board to be known as the Architects Registration Board.

(2) The board shall be a body corporate with perpetual succession

and a common seal and may sue and be sued in its corporate name.

(3) The board may hold, acquire or dispose of any property, movable or immovable.

3. Seal of the board.

(1) The board shall have a common seal which shall be kept in the custody of the secretary.

(2) The fixing of the seal to any document shall—

- (a) be authorised or ratified by resolution of the board;
- (b) be authenticated by the signatures of the chairperson or in his or her absence the vice chairperson of the board and of one other member of the board.

(3) Any document purporting to be a document duly executed under the seal of the board shall be received in evidence in any court proceedings and shall, until the contrary is proved, be presumed to be a document so executed.

4. Functions of the board.

The functions of the board shall be—

- (a) to regulate and maintain the standard of architecture in the country;
- (b) to register architects;
- (c) to make byelaws for better carrying into effect the provisions of this Act;
- (d) to prescribe or regulate the conduct of architects in Uganda;
- (e) to promote training in architectural sciences.

5. Membership of the board.

(1) The board shall consist of six members, two of whom shall be nominated by the Minister and four nominated by the society.

(2) The Minister shall in consultation with the board appoint a chairperson and vice chairperson from among the six board members.

(3) Of the two members appointed by the Minister under subsection

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