ABILL

FOR

AN ACT TO AMEND THE FEDERAL LANDS REGISTRY (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT, CAP F15. 1992 AND FOR RELATED MATTERS

Sponsored by Hon. Ossai Nicholas Ossai

Commencement BE IT ENA CTED by the National Assembly of the Federation of Nigeria as follows: 1 1. The Federal Lands Registry (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act Amendment of the Principal Act (hereinafter referred to as "the Principal Act") is amended as set out 2 3 hereunder. 4 2. Section 1 (3) of the Principal Act is amended by deleting the 5 Amendment of Section 1 (3) existing section and introducing new section as follows: 5 6 "The headquarters of the Registry shall be situated in the Federal Capital 7 Territory, Abuja and there shall be established a branch office of the Registry 8 in each State of the Federation". 9 3. Section 3(1) of the Principal Act is amended by deleting the Amendment of Section 3(1) 10 word "ten" and substituting same with the word "fifteen" in line 3. 11 4. Section 3(3) of the Principal Act is amended by deleting the Amendment of Section 3(3) 12 existing section and introducing new section as follows: 13 "The Registrar of Deeds shall be the Chief Executive of the Registry and 14 shall subject to the directives of the Minister hold office for a term of four 15 years in the first instance and may be re-appointment for another term of four years at the expiration of the first term". 16 17 5. This Bill may be cited as Federal Lands Registry Citation 18 (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Amendment) Bill, 2019.

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill seeks to amend the Lands Registry (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1992 to situate the headquarters of the Registry in the Federal Capital Territory, increase the post qualification years of the Registrar of Deeds and fix a term of years for the appointment of the Registrar of Deeds.