



I assent.



Deputy Governor
Governor.
8 March, 1955.

BRITISH GUIANA

ORDINANCE No. 14 OF 1955.

AN ORDINANCE further to amend the Criminal Law (Procedure) Ordinance with respect to the summoning of jurors.

Enacted by the Legislature of British Guiana :—

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Criminal Law (Procedure) (Amendment) Ordinance, 1955, and shall be construed and read as one with the Criminal Law (Procedure) Ordinance, hereinafter referred to as the Principal Ordinance, and any Ordinance amending the same

2. Subsection (1) of section thirty of the Principal Ordinance as amended from time to time is hereby further amended—

(a) by the insertion between the word "being" and the word "thirty" in paragraph (a), of the words "not less than";

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ment of
section 30
(1) of the
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(b) by the substitution for the words "they shall be drawn out, one by one, and the persons whose names correspond to the first thirty so drawn shall form the panel" in paragraph (b), of the words "such number, being not less than thirty, as the registrar may deem sufficient, shall be drawn out, and the persons whose names correspond to the numbers on the cards so drawn shall form the panel."

Repeal and re-enactment of section 39 of the Principal Ordinance.

3. Section thirty-nine of the Principal Ordinance is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor —

"Default of jurors.

39. (1) Where a full jury does not appear or where, after appearance of a full jury, by reason of challenges or otherwise, there is likely to be a default of jurors the court, on request made by the Crown, shall command the registrar to name and appoint, as often as required, so many of other men qualified to act as jurors then present as will make up a full jury, and the registrar shall, at the command of the court, return those men duly qualified who are present or can be found to serve on that jury, and shall add their names to the panel returned by him; and the Crown and the accused person shall in that case have their respective challenges to the jurors so added, and the court shall proceed to the trial of every issue in the same manner as if all of them had been returned by the registrar in the original panel.

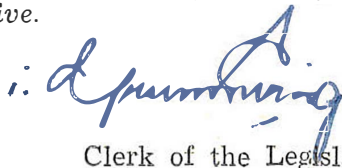
(2) Where two or more panels are returned, the registrar may, on a tales being awarded, return a juror summoned on any one panel as a talesman to serve with the jurors returned on any other panel."

Amendment of the first schedule to the Principal Ordinance.

4. The first schedule to the Principal Ordinance as amended from time to time is hereby further amended by the addition of the following at the end thereof—

"Members of the Special Reserve Police Force."

Passed by the Legislative Council this fourth day of March, nineteen hundred and fifty-five.



Clerk of the Legislature.

(Leg. Bill No. 14/1955).