## ORGANIC ACT OF GUAM SUBCHAPTER 3 THE LEGISLATURE

"I solemnly swear (or affirm) in the presence of Almighty God that I will well and faithfully support the Constitution of the United States, the laws of the United States applicable to Guam and the laws of Guam, and that I will conscientiously and impartially discharge my duties as a member of the Guam Legislature (or as an officer of the government of Guam)."

SOURCE: § 14 of Act of Aug. 1, 1950 (Organic Act). Codified as 48 U.S.C. § 1423d.

# § 1423e. Prohibition Against Accepting Certain Appointments and Salary Increases.

No member of the legislature shall, during the term for which he was elected or during the year following the expiration of such term, be appointed to any office which has been created, or the salary or emoluments of which have been increased during such term.

SOURCE: §15 of Act of Aug. 1, 1950 (Organic Act). Codified as 48 U.S.C. § 1423e.

#### § 1423f. Qualifications of Legislators.

No person shall sit in the legislature who is not a citizen of the United States, who has not attained the age of twenty-five years and who has not been domiciled in Guam for at least five years immediately preceding the sitting of the legislature in which he seeks to qualify as a member, or who has been convicted of a felony or of a crime involving moral turpitude and has not received a pardon restoring his civil rights.

SOURCE: §16 of Act of Aug. 1, 1950 (Organic Act). Codified as 48 U.S.C. § 1423f.

#### § 1423g. Vacancies.

Vacancies occurring in the legislature shall be filled as the legislature shall provide, except that no person filling a vacancy shall hold office longer than for the remainder of the term for which his predecessor was elected.

**SOURCE:** § 17 of Act of Aug. 1, 1950 (Organic Act). Codified as 48 U.S.C. § 1423g.

### § 1423h. Regular and Special Sessions.

Regular sessions of the legislature shall be held annually, commencing on the second Monday in January (unless the legislature shall by law fix a different date), and shall continue for such term as the legislature may provide. The Governor may call special sessions of the legislature at any