

**OFFICE OF THE CONSTITUTIONAL COURT ACT (NO. 2),
B.E. 2562 (2019)**

MAHA VAJIRALONGKORN BODINDRADEBAYAVARANGKUN, REX;

Given on the 17th Day of March B.E. 2562;

Being the 4th Year of the Present Reign.

His Majesty King Maha Vajiralongkorn Bodindradebayavarangkun is graciously pleased to proclaim that:

Whereas it is expedient to amend the law on the Office of the Constitutional Court;

Be it, therefore, enacted by the King, by and with the advice and consent of the National Legislative Assembly, as follows.

Section 1. This Act is called the “Office of the Constitutional Court Act (No. 2), B.E. 2562.”

Section 2. This Act shall come into force as from the day following the date of its publication in the Government Gazette.*

Section 3. The provision of paragraph one of section 9 of the Office of the Constitutional Court Act, B.E. 2542 shall be repealed and replaced by the following:

“Section 9. The Office of the Constitutional Court shall have Secretary-General of the Office of the Constitutional Court who shall be responsible for the work performance of the Office of the Constitutional Court directly answerable to the President of the Constitutional Court and shall be the superior of officials and employees of the Office of the Constitutional Court. There may also be Deputy Secretaries-General of the Office of the Constitutional Court to assist in directing and performing official duties.”

Countersigned by

General Prayut Chan-o-cha

Prime Minister

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Remark: The reason for the promulgation of this Act is that the Constitution of the Kingdom of Thailand provides that the Constitutional Court shall have more duties and powers, and provides that the Constitutional Court shall have an agency as a secretariat which shall enjoy autonomy in the personnel administration, budget management and other activities as provided by law, which is the Office of the Constitutional Court in accordance with the Office of the Constitutional Court Act B.E. 2542. As prescribed in paragraph one of section 9 of the Act, there may be not more than two Deputy Secretaries-General of the Office of the Constitutional Court to assist in directing and performing official duties of the Secretary-General of the Office of the constitutional Court. This is inconsistent with duties of the Office of the Constitutional Court as a secretariat of the Constitutional Court, which have more duties and powers in accordance with the Constitution. It is expedient to prescribe the Office of the Constitutional Court to have Deputy Secretaries-General of the Office of the Constitutional Court to assist in directing and performing official duties as suitable in order to support such increased duties of the Constitutional Court. It is, therefore, necessary that this Act be enacted.