## **CHURCHES**

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**Summary:** This Ordinance (<u>OG 2153</u>) transfers the Namibian assets of the Nederduitse Gereformeerde Kerk in Suid-Afrika to the Nederduitse Gereformeerde Kerk in Suidwes-Afrika.

**Regulations:** The Ordinance contains no authorisation for regulations.

The Apostolic Faith Mission of South Africa (Private) Act 24 of 1961, as amended in South Africa prior to Namibian independence

**Summary:** This Act (SA GG 6670) makes the named church a body corporate.

**Applicability to SWA:** Section 8A states "This Act and any amendment thereof shall apply also in the territory of South West Africa, including the Eastern Caprivi Zipfel referred to in Section 38(5) of the South West Africa Constitution Act, 1968 (Act No. 39 of 1968)."

**Amendments:** Prior to Namibian independence, the Act was amended by The Apostolic Faith Mission of South Africa (Private) Amendment Act 4 of 1970 (<u>RSA GG 2645</u>), which inserted section 8A.

The Abolition of Payment by Cheque Act 16 of 2022 (<u>GG 7995</u>), which was brought into force on 15 March 2023 by GN 47/2023 (<u>GG 8050</u>), amends the Articles of Association and the Memorandum of Association in the Schedule.

**Regulations:** The Act contains no authorisation for regulations aside from regulations that apply only to the Apostolic Faith Mission.

## **SELECTED CASES**

Petrus v Roman Catholic Archdiocese 2011 (2) NR 637 (SC)

New African Methodist Episcopal Church in the Republic of Namibia & Another v Kooper & Others 2015 (3) NR 705 (HC)

Nowases & Others v Evangelical Lutheran Church in the Republic of Namibia (ELCRN) & Others 2016 (4) NR 985 (HC).

See also Control of Sites (Churches, Schools and Missions) Proclamation 31 of 1932 (LAND AND HOUSING).