

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SINGAPORE

REGISTRAR'S CIRCULAR NO. 2 OF 2005 (RE-ISSUE)


**DEMISE OF DR WEE CHONG JIN
CHIEF JUSTICE (1963 – 1990)**

Dr Wee Chong Jin, the Chief Justice of Singapore from 5 January 1963 to 27 September 1990 passed away peacefully at 10.15am on 5 June 2005. Dr Wee was born on 28 September 1917 and he was appointed to the Supreme Court Bench in 1957 as a Puisne Judge. He was elevated to the position of Chief Justice in 1963. Dr Wee also assumed chairmanship of the Constitutional Commission 1966 which led to the formation of the Presidential Council of Minority Rights which Dr Wee served as Chairman from 1973 to 1991. Dr Wee also served as President of the Legal Service Commission from 1963 to 1990. For his invaluable contributions to Singapore, Dr Wee was awarded the Distinguished Service Order in 1991.

The wake will be held at 6A Cluny Road Singapore 259574. The funeral mass will be held at the Church of Saint Ignatius 120 King's Road on Wednesday, 8 June 2005 at 3.15 pm and thereafter the cortege will leave for Mandai Crematorium Hall 3 for cremation at 5.15 pm. Lawyers who wish to pay their respects may do so from Monday, 6 June 2005 11.00 am at 6A Cluny Road. Due to limited car parking space, a constant shuttle service will be provided from the Singapore Botanic Gardens Visitor Centre Coach Car Park at the junction of Cluny Road and Nassim Road from 11am to 11pm daily. The family has requested that no wreaths be sent and all donations be made to the Singapore Cancer Society.

As a mark of respect, a minute of silence will be observed before the commencement of all open court hearings in the High Court on Wednesday, 8 June 2005. All present in the open court hearings are requested to remain standing during the observance.

Dated the 6th day of June 2005.



KOH JUAT JONG
REGISTRAR
SUPREME COURT