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## ORDINANCE

RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT OF PROBATE JUDGE

Approved hely 13, 1977

Be it ordained by the Town Council of the Town of West Greenwich, as follows:

## SECTION 1. APPOINTMENT AND QUALIFICATIONS:

The Town Council shall appoint a Judge of Probate for the Town of West Greenwich at the regular Town Council Meeting for the month of December each year, pursuant to the provisions of General Laws of Rhode Island Sections 8-9-2.1, 8-9-2.3, and 8-9-4, provided, however, that said appointee shall have been admitted to practice as an attorney before the Rhode Island Supreme Court and has been engaged in the active practice of law in the State of Rhode Island. A Judge of Probate appointed hereunder shall serve until a successor is duly appointed and qualified.

## SECTION 2. DISQUALIFICATION, INABILITY OR ABSENCE OF PROBATE JUDGE:

In the event of the disqualification, inability, or absence of the Judge of Probate appointed hereunder, or in the event of a vacancy in said position, the Town Solicitor shall be

the Acting Judge of Probate and shall assume all of the powers and appurtenances of that office as more fully set forth in Section 8-9-4 of the aforesaid General Laws of Rhode Island; provided, however, that said Town Solicitor is otherwise qualified in accordance with the aforesaid Sections 8-9-2.1 and 8-9-2.3 and other applicable law.

## SECTION 3. EFFECTIVE DATE:

This ordinance shall take effect upon its passage.