EXECUTIVE ORDER 001-2021

AN ORDER TO MODIFY THE RULE REFORM PANEL, RESCIND EXECUTIVE ORDER No. 008-2020, and AMEND EXECUTIVE ORDER No. 001-2019

Section 1: Authority

This executive order is hereby issued in accordance with the powers and authority granted to the Governor by Article IV, Sections 6 and 7 of the Revised Constitution of American Samoa, and the American Samoa Code Annotated, Section 4.0111 (b).

Section 2: Reinstatement of Executive Order 001-2019 as Originally Written

This order rescinds Executive Order 008-2020 and reinstates Executive Order 001-2019 as originally written with the amendments listed below.

Section 3: Amendment of Executive Order 001-2019

(a) Executive Order 001-2019 is amended as follows:

(1) Paragraph (6)(a) is repealed in its entirety and replaced with the following:

(a) A rule reform panel is established which shall be comprised of seven persons or their designees.

(i) Attorney General
(ii) Director of the Office of Program Planning and Budget
(iii) Treasurer
(iv) Administrative Law Judge
(v) Governor
(vi) Lieutenant Governor in his capacity as the Secretary of American Samoa
(vii) Executive Director of the American Samoa Economic Development Authority

(2) Paragraph (6)(b) is repealed and replaced in its entirety by the following:

(b) The chair of the panel will be the Lieutenant Governor in his capacity as the Secretary of American Samoa or his designee. Administrative,
logistical, and operational functions of the Panel will be placed under the Authority of the Lieutenant Governor or his designee. The vice chair and secretary shall be selected by the membership.

Section 4: Appointment of Rule Reform Officers

Within 15 days of date of this order, the head of every agency, commission, or other organization within the Executive Branch which has the authority to promulgate rules, shall provide the Chair of the Rule Reform Panel with the name and contact information of the Rule Reform Officer for that agency, commission, or other organization.

Section 5: Effective Date

This order shall take effect immediately upon the signature of the Governor.

Date: 2/8/2021

Lemanu P. S. Mauga
Governor of American Samoa