







Gains for Kenyan Women in the Proposed Constitution



-  The Proposed Constitution ensures that women will be able to pass on citizenship to their children regardless of whether or not they are married to Kenyans. Article 14 (1).
-  The Proposed Constitution provides that parties to a marriage will be entitled to equal rights at the time of marriage, during the marriage and at its dissolution. Article 45 (3).
-  The Proposed Constitution assures that parental responsibility shall be shared between parents regardless of marital status. Article 53 (1)(e).
-  The Proposed Constitution eliminates gender discrimination in relation to land and property and gives everyone including women the right to inheritance and unbiased access to land. Article 60 (1) (f).
-  The Proposed Constitution provides for the enactment of legislation for the protection of matrimonial property with special interest on the matrimonial home during, and upon the termination of the marriage. Article 68 (c) (iii).
-  The Proposed Constitution maintains a one third requirement for either gender in elective bodies giving women of Kenya at least 1/3 minimum in elective public bodies. Article 81(b).

- ✚ The Proposed Constitution ensures that gender equality is maintained in political parties providing a basic requirement for political parties as amongst others to respect and promote gender equality. Article 91 (f).
- ✚ The Proposed Constitution provides that Parliament shall formulate law to promote the representation of women, persons of disabilities, ethnic and other minorities and marginalized communities in Parliament. Article 100.
- ✚ The Proposed Constitution ensures that women and men will have the right to equal treatment and opportunities in political, economic, cultural and social spheres without discrimination. Article 27 (3).
- ✚ The Proposed Constitution accords the right to health including reproductive health to all. Article 43 (1) (a).
- ✚ The proposed constitution affords adequate and equal opportunities for appointment, training and advancement for women and men at all levels within the Public Service Commission. Article 232 (i).



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