

## ABSTRACT

This research aims at analysing and proposing the urgency of the Special Court for regional election dispute settlement in Indonesia. This study is a normative legal research with statute, law, and comparative approach that used Uruguay, Brazil, and Costa Rica special courts as comparison. The results of this study show that the establishment of the Special Court for Regional Election Dispute Settlement in Indonesia is urgently needed to make a more effective regional election dispute settlement. However, there are two issues that can arise when there is a Special Court for regional election disputes. The first one is its structural position whether the court will be under the High Court or bound to the High Administrative Court. The second problem is the public trust to the existing courts. The research proposes some recommendations. First, the establishment of the Special Court is better attached under the High Administrative Court rather than under the High Court. Second, to increase the level of public trust to the Special Court, it is better to select judges with the composition of 1 (one) career and 2 (two) non career judges.

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