

Ex-Kelantan ruler asks Federal Court to determine Regent's power
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PUTRAJAYA - Former Kelantan ruler Tuanku Ismail Petra Sultan Yahya Petra is applying to the Federal Court to allow him to consolidate his three petitions, which includes asking the apex court to determine the power of the Regent in the absence of a Sultan.

Tuanku Ismail is also seeking a bench of seven judges to hear his petitions, according to *The Star*.

On Monday, the Apex Court refused an application by Tuanku Ismail's lawyer for an adjournment and ordered the parties to submit over the issues of jurisdiction.

The panel comprised Federal Court judges Justices Zulkefli Ahmad Makinudin, Md Raus Sharif and Abdull Hamid Embong.

Justice Zulkefli said the panel disallowed the application for adjournment in the public interest. He said the three judges were unanimous over the matter.

Tuanku Ismail Petra filed a petition on Sept 20 asking the Federal Court to declare unconstitutional the proclamation of his eldest son Tuanku Muhammad Faris Petra as the Sultan of Kelantan, succeeding his ailing father.

He had already filed two petitions seeking the opinion of the Federal Court on whether Tuanku Muhamad Faris Petra had the full power to reconstitute the Royal Succession Council and question the fundamental liberties of the Sultan.

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