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29th October 2015

Attention: Mr Sello Chiloane
The office of the Chief Justice
Edora Building
Fox Street
Marshalltown

Dear Mr Chiloane

NOMINATION OF LOVETTA BOLTERS AS CANDIDATE FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE ELECTORAL COMMISSION

I have known Lovetta Bolters for more than 30 years as a personal friend, a community activist, a colleague and a business partner.

During these years I can say without fear of contradiction that she is driven by the following:

1. The urgent need to contribute toward the building of prosperous communities and nation.
2. A commitment to deepening democracy.
3. In all of this, adhering to the highest values of good and ethical governance and efficient implementations.

Her CV indicates clearly that she has striven relentlessly towards achieving the aims which drive her by taking risks, but also achieving commendable and great success.

Her involvement over the years in her communities, the struggles, and their achievements has been the *raison d'etre* for her being and achieving.

A commitment to good corporate governance is an issue that she values highly and will champion very strongly on the commission.

She brings a fearless and passionate dedication towards the key mandates of the Electoral Commission.

Lovetta is a fit and proper person.

I therefore have no hesitation in nominating her for the abovementioned appointment.

Yours sincerely



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Acceptance of Nomination by the Nominee

I, Lovetta Carline Bolters, accept the nomination to serve as a member of the Electoral Commission on a part-time basis.

Signature of nominee: 
Lovetta Carline Bolters

Date: 29 October 2015

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COMPREHENSIVE CURRICULUM VITAE

Summary of Experiences

- Many years of experience in executive management of businesses in different industries;
- Experience and expertise at board and other levels in the social development sector;
- Deep understanding of community social and development dynamics gained through work with community organisations.
- Extensive leadership and strategic thinking abilities,
- Initiator and great expertise in the establishment of start-up businesses.
- Deep understanding and commitment toward building excellence in individuals, communities and businesses;
- Thorough understanding of the interface between government; business, and civil society;
- Wide network reach and access to key groups and people.
- Enthusiastic and keen entrepreneur with specific expertise in formation issues

Biographical Details

Born 8 December 1959 in District Six and schooled and raised in Cape Town.

Relevant Work and Businesses experience

After matriculating for the first few years worked as laboratory assistant since I had a scientific bent.

Immediately thereafter and until 1992 I became involved in the hospitality and catering industry and spent five years with Fedics Food Services that provided outsourced catering services to major corporates and institutions. I rose through the ranks and became responsible for various sites within the company.

During these years I learnt very hard and critical lessons about management, both business and people.

Whilst working I was deeply involved in the anti apartheid struggles of my community. I became politically aware in '76 and together with my student friends we became involved in the formation first overtly political, community based organisations. I was one of the founders of the Bonteheuvel Civic Association, that eventually became part of SANCO, the Bonteheuvel Youth Movement that later became part of SAYCO. These structures and others formed the basis for the UDF in the Western Cape. These organisations also initiated and led various resistance campaigns.

With the unbanning of the ANC, I was part of a select group of people that was asked to start ANC branches in the province. Subsequently I went to work for the ANC to build the movement. I held various fulltime positions in the ANC until appointment as head of office of MEC Sports Arts and culture in the new dispensation in 1994.

From 1994 to 2002 held various positions within government departments from Environmental Affairs to Department of Justice.

After the changes in the political landscape in the Western Cape I moved on and joined Esp Afrika, the organisers of the Cape Town International Jazz Festival where I was the executive producer for major events such as World Summit for Sustainable Development in 2002, presidential inauguration in 2004, and various major national outreach campaigns.

In 2004 I could not refuse the request from the newly appointed, now late, Deputy Minister of Social Development, Dr Jean Benjamin to join her team in the national office. This position gave me a bird's eye view and deep understanding of the social development challenges and issues facing the nation,

Throughout my tenure in public service, I always knew that I wanted to use the experience and exposure of my initial years in the business world to start my own business, but not before I felt that I have fully served.

Since then I've successfully established two thriving small businesses in diverse industries. Camissa solutions established in 2010 is primarily an events and logistics management business focussing on sports and music and now diversifying into other areas such as new service technology ventures. Turnover is in the region of 20million.

Wastewant, a waste management and recycling company established in 2010, has achieved excellent growth in 5 years. This is reflected both in turnover and employment figures. In this short space of time the company has also gained the respect of the market with recognition from corporates like SANLAM, The Foschini Group and Clover.

Both businesses are underpinned by principles of development and upliftment and includes training in rural areas, and working with vagrants and the homeless.

Education

Bonteheuwel High School	Matric
University Western Cape	BCom Hons (Management)
Short Courses	Equality Court management – Dept Justice Mediation Course - Equillore Project Management Training the Trainer – Hospitality management Macro Economic Policy Analysis HR interviewing and selection skills for panellists

Professional Bodies

Member of the African Commercial Dispute Settlement Center (ACDSC)