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NOTICE

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14. Black Lawyers Association
15. South African Women Lawyers Association
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17. Personal Injury Plaintiff Lawyers Association
18. South African Medico-Legal Association
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23. Legal Aid South Africa
24. Johannesburg Society of Advocates
25. Pretoria Society of Advocates
26. Gauteng Society of Advocates
27. Tshwane Society of Advocates

28. Pan African Bar Association of South Africa
29. General Council of the Bar of South Africa
30. National Bar Council of South Africa
31. South African Bar Association
32. National Forum of Advocates
33. North Gauteng Association of Advocates
34. Church Square Association of Advocates
35. Advocates for Transformation
36. Legal Division of the Department of Health: Gauteng
37. Legal Division of the Department of Sport, Arts, Culture and Recreation
38. Gauteng Department of Agriculture and Rural Development
39. Legal Services - Gauteng Provincial Department of Education
40. South African Board of Sheriffs
41. South African Sheriff Society
42. Road Accident Fund

DATE : 22 October 2025

OUR REF : DJP/17/2012/lt

RE : **NOTICE TO ALL USERS OF THE JOHANNESBURG
HIGH COURT – NEW SECURITY MEASURES**

1. With effect from Thursday, 23 October 2025 the following security measures shall be strictly enforced.
2. No person, including counsel, attorneys, messengers, witnesses or any other persons shall for any reason whatsoever enter the area of the building in which the chambers of judges are situated unless escorted by the secretary of the judge who such persons wish to see in chambers.
3. Any such person who has reason to see a judge in chambers shall call the specific judge's secretary and make a request to see the specific judge. Where the meeting is approved by the judge the secretary shall meet the visitor either at

the reception desk in the main vestibule or in the courtroom and escort them to the judge and after the meeting, escort them back to a public place.

4. On no account whatsoever is any person to pass through the interlinking doors from the public area adjacent to the courts into the area of the judges' chambers. Persons who are observed breaching this injunction shall be summarily removed by security guards who shall not indulge in any debate or entertain any excuse or plea of special circumstances. Any visitors resisting the security guards expose themselves to the peril of forceable removal and consequent sanctions.
5. Persons who have business with the secretary of the Judge President or Deputy Judge President or with the Judge President or Deputy Judge President themselves, shall report to the reception desk in the vestibule, call the relevant secretary who shall either escort such persons or designate an official security guard to escort the persons to the office and back again.
6. Members of the Registry staff and Judges' secretaries must carry identification with them at all times to enable the security guards to identify them.
7. This directive undoubtedly causes delay and inconvenience. It is imposed to cater for genuine needs to preserve appropriate security thresholds for the judges and patience is requested from everyone.

***Dictated by the Deputy Judge President
Electronically transmitted, therefore no signature***

**ROLAND SUTHERLAND
DEPUTY JUDGE PRESIDENT**