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QUESTIONNAIRE FOR CANDIDATES FOR JUDICIAL APPOINTMENT (2027)

SECTION 1: PERSONAL

1. What are your full names and surname?

   1.1 Surname ……

   1.2 Full names …….

   1.3 Maiden name …….

   1.4 Gender……

   1.5 Race……

2. Office Telephone Number

   Code (…….) ……..……...

   E-Mail…….....

3. What is your date and place of birth?

   3.1. Date of birth …….....

   3.2 Place of birth ……

   3.3 Citizenship ……

4. What is your marital status? (Indicate with an "X")

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Married	Single	Divorced	Widower	Widow

4.2 Particulars of children

Number and ages of children

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5. Please furnish particulars of your tertiary education.

Qualification	***Name of Institution***	***Date Acquired***

6. Please furnish chronological particulars of employment since leaving school or university

Name of employer	***Position held***	***Period***
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7. Please furnish chronological particulars of your membership of legal organizations – Past and Present.

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8. Please furnish particulars of your membership of any political organization – past and present

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9. Please furnish particulars of community and other organizations of which you are or have been a member in the past ten years.

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10. Are you now or have you ever been a member of a secret organization?

(Indicate with an "X")

YES	NO

If so, please identify the organization and the dates of membership.

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11. Is there anything about the state of your health which should be disclosed to the commission?

(Indicate with an "X")

YES	NO

If so, please state.

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SECTION 2: LEGAL BACKGROUND

1. Please outline your entire career in the law giving an indication of your principal areas of legal interest and involvement.

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2. If you have any publications in the field of law please list them and identify those which you regard as most significant and state shortly why you regard them as significant.

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3. In regard to major publications indicate by whom they have been reviewed.

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4. If any of your writings have been cited in judicial decisions please identify those decisions and indicate whether the citing was with approval.

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5. If you have any publications outside the field of law please list them.

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5.1 In regard to these publications please indicate by whom they have been reviewed.

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6. **Court experience**

6.1 Do you appear in court (Indicate with an "X")

frequently	Occasionally	Not at all

Please give details.

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6.2 What proportion of your litigation work has been in the field of :

6.2.1 Criminal law

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6.2.2 Administrative law

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6.2.3 Constitutional law

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6.2.4 Labour law

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6.2.5 Other areas of civil law (specify the general areas involved e.g. personal injury, tax, shipping, intellectual property, divorce, etc.)

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6.3 Which cases in which you have appeared (not more than ten) would you regard as being the most significant and why?

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6.4. List all the reported cases in which you appeared as instructing attorney.

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6.5 In regard to any of the said reported cases, which do you regard as having the most significance and why? (Deal with not more than ten cases)

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7. Apart from your practice as an advocate or attorney or your employment in the academic world, have you been involved in any activities having a bearing on your legal experience e.g. as an adviser to a community law centre or advice office, sitting as a commissioner in the small claims court, organising, or addressing legal conferences, etc? (Indicate with an "X")

YES	NO

If so, give full details including dates and the nature and extent of your involvement.

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8. Do you have any relevant judicial or quasi-judicial experience e.g. as chairman or a member of a commission of enquiry, or any type of disciplinary board? (Indicate with an "X")

If so, please give full details of such

YES	NO

experience including dates.

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8.1 Have you acted as a magistrate? (Indicate with an "X")

YES	NO

8.1.2 When were you appointed as such?

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8.1.3 In which district or regional division have you so acted?

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8.1.4 Please give details of your main functions and duties.

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8.1.5 If not already furnished above, please give full details of your experience as a magistrate including dates of postings.

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9. If you have sat as an acting judge:

9.1 In which division were you appointed?

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9.2 Please give the dates of your appointment.

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9.3 Did you sit in both civil and criminal courts? (Indicate with an "X")

YES	NO

Please give details.

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9.4 Have any of your judgments been taken on appeal? (Indicate with an "X")

YES	NO

What was the result of the appeal?

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9.5 Please list any reserved judgments still outstanding and the date(s) on which judgment was reserved.

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9.6 Are there any partly-heard matters which you should bring to the attention of the Commission?

YES	NO

If so, please furnish particulars.

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10. What would you regard as your most significant contribution to the law and the pursuit of justice in South Africa?

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SECTION 3: FINANCIAL AND PROPRIETARY

11. Have you have been under debt review or in insolvency proceedings or subject to any other processes or inquiries pertaining to your financial affairs during the last 10 years?

YES	NO

If so, please furnish particulars, including the documents relevant to the proceedings and the outcome.

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12. Have you ever had a civil judgment, maintenance order, debt review order, sequestration order or other similar order given against you? (Indicate with an "X")

YES	NO

If so, please furnish particulars, including the documents relevant to the proceedings and the outcome.

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13. Have you been subject to any complaints involving allegations of dishonesty, impropriety, breach of trust or fiduciary duties, including from an employer, voluntary or civil association, whether in criminal, civil, disciplinary or any other proceedings?

YES	NO

If so, please furnish particulars. including the documents relevant to the proceedings and the outcome.

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13. Please list all directorships you hold and other interests in businesses which you have held in the past ten years.

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14. What steps do you propose to take in regard to your directorships and private business interests if you are appointed to the bench?

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SECTION 4: GENERAL

15. Are there any circumstances, financial or otherwise, known to you which may cause you embarrassment in undertaking the office of a judge? (Indicate with an "X")

YES	NO

If so, please furnish particulars.

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16. Have you ever been convicted of any offence involving dishonesty, violence, or any other disreputable or dishonorable conduct? (Indicate with an "X")

YES	NO

If so, please furnish full particulars and dates.

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17. Has any legal professional body ever found you guilty of any unprofessional or disgraceful conduct or are there any disciplinary proceedings pending against you? (Indicate with an "X")

YES	NO

If so, please furnish particulars.

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18. Is there any other relevant matter which you should bring to the attention of the commission? (Indicate with an "X")

YES	NO

If so, please furnish particulars.

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19. Consent to publication of information

Because this is a public process, the JSC is required or authorised to facilitate public participation and transparency in accordance with the applicable constitutional and statutory framework. For that purpose, the JSC may publish a redacted version of your CV and other information relevant to the statutory criteria for appointment.

The JSC will apply the Protection of Personal Information Act 4 of 2013 and will seek to publish only information that is adequate, relevant and not excessive for the purpose of meaningful public participation. Personal information that is not relevant to the process will be redacted.
The JSC refers to and may rely on section 11 of POPIA to justify the publication of such information as is necessary for the proper performance of the JSC's public-law duties.

You are therefore requested to consent to such publication. Unless otherwise stated, your signature below will constitute consent, as well as confirmation of the correctness and completeness of the information you have provided.

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SIGNATURE **DATE**

ANNEXURE “A”

CANDIDATE’S PERSONAL DETAILS

Name and Surname	
Cell phone number:	
Residential / Postal address:	
Identity number:	
Email address:	