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Chief Justice Mogoeng**

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Women's Month
Celebrations**

**Mpumalanga's
first Judge President**

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Dear colleagues,

It has been some time since the Judicial Communications Committee (JCOM) was established to engage directly with communication matters relating to the Judiciary and all other matters relating to its functions, constitutional mandate and independence.

The primary purpose of the JCOM was to develop a communications strategy for the Judiciary, which would, among other things, look to improve communication within the Judiciary itself. The communications strategy for the Judiciary adopted by the Heads of Court on 29 September 2017 has identified the publication of a newsletter for the Judiciary as a key initiative in this regard and we are proud to present this first Issue to you.

It is our intention to grow this newsletter through the participation of all our colleagues across the country. This publication will not flourish and serve its mandate to us as members of the Judiciary if we do not take ownership of it and ensure that we contribute relevant content from our own spaces.


We are aware that many of our colleagues participate in many activities and platforms in the


course of their work in the Judiciary, and we ask you to begin to share this information for publication in this newsletter. It is also important for those of us who have been on the bench for some time to use this platform to share best practices and information to guide each other on becoming an effective and efficient Judiciary.


We trust that this first Issue will present you with a clear indication of the direction in which we want to take this newsletter. We needed to make a start, and we have done so! I thank my honourable colleague, Judge President Mlambo, for working alongside me in the JCOM and making an immeasurable contribution to the work we have achieved so far. We wish also to thank Mr Mncube, the Spokesperson for the Judiciary, as well as the OCJ Communications team that supports him, for sparing no effort in ensuring that the first Issue of this newsletter is published.

Enjoy it!

Judge President John Hlophe
Chairperson: Judicial Communications Committee

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A FOREWORD

from the Chief Justice

Dear Colleagues,

I welcome you all to this first edition of the newsletter for the Judiciary.

The Office of the Chief Justice is tasked with the brief to, inter alia, provide communication services to the Judiciary. The Judiciary of South Africa has never had a dedicated and well-organised communication voice. This has resulted in a fragmented and limited contact with its various communities and stakeholders. It is against this backdrop that a need was identified to establish a newsletter for the Judiciary in line with the Communication Strategy for the Judiciary adopted at the Heads of Court meeting of 29 September 2017.

This newsletter seeks to inform members of the Judiciary of the latest judicial developments; inform stakeholders about the initiatives or activities of the Judiciary; heighten contact between members of the Judiciary; act as a platform for the Judiciary to share views on general matters that affect them; and profile Judicial Officers in the execution of their constitutional mandate.

This newsletter will be published on a quarterly basis primarily for the Judiciary's consumption. And I wish to encourage all of you to share this newsletter with all role-players that have a close working relationship with the courts.

The editorial team is ably led by our colleagues Judges President Hlophe and Mlambo as founding editors-in-chief, supported by the Spokesperson for the Judiciary, Mr Mncube, and the OCJ Communications Team. On behalf of the Judiciary, I wish to thank them for the sterling work they have done.

Broadly speaking, the subject-matters of publication will include Judicial Education updates; international cooperation / engagement updates; Judges' speaking engagements; new Judges' appointments / Acting Judges' appointments; Judges' discharge from active service; bereavements; work undertaken by South African Judges outside the South African judicial space; issues affecting other jurisdictions and associations to which Judicial Officers of several countries belong; updates from Judges' ad-hoc committees (e.g., court modernisation, infrastructure, remuneration, etc.); matters concerning the Judiciary's relations with the organised legal profession and other arms of State; articles on other matters of interest by Judges; and court performance-related matters, to mention but some.

It is crucial that we all support this initiative and contribute towards the enhancement of the quality and the growth of this publication. It belongs to all Judicial Officers. Once again, we are grateful for the selfless service rendered by Judges President Hlophe and Mlambo in successfully executing this project.

On my behalf and on behalf of the Judiciary of South Africa, I wish to assure them of my unwavering support in their endeavour to make effective communication by the Judiciary with itself and with court-process participants, a practical reality.

Mogoeng Mogoeng
Chief Justice of the Republic of South Africa



PRESTIGIOUS AWARD FOR CHIEF JUSTICE MOGOENG

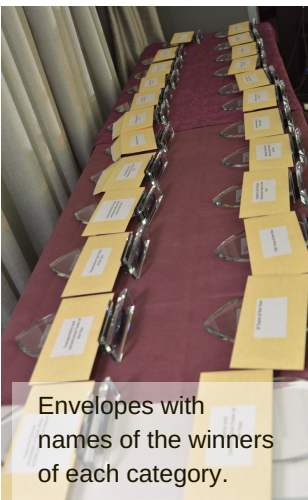
Chief Justice Mogoeng Mogoeng has been awarded the Corporate Counsel Association of South Africa Achievement Award in a glitzy event for the 2017 African Legal Awards on September 8.

Hosted by Legal Week (organisers of The British Legal Awards) and the Corporate Counsel Association of South Africa (CCASA), The African Legal Awards set out to recognise

exceptional achievement from within Africa's legal community. The Achievement Award is a lifetime achievement award conferred to an individual as chosen by the CCASA.



Spousal support: CJ Mogoeng and DCJ Zondo with their wives at the African Legal Awards.



Envelopes with names of the winners of each category.



Corporate Counsel Association of South Africa Achievement Award
Winner:
**Chief Justice of the Republic,
Mogoeng Mogoeng**
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CJ Mogoeng receives his lifetime achievement award.

In his acceptance speech, Chief Justice Mogoeng Mogoeng commended the CCASA for its contribution to the transformation of the legal sector through its support for underprivileged legal students, and urged the legal fraternity as a whole to do more to bring transformation to the industry.

Chief Justice Mogoeng Mogoeng also urged the legal industry to engage and work with government for the betterment of the country. "There is power in using your influence softly. Insist as a collective on speaking to government; they are bound to heed your advice," said the Chief Justice.

We congratulate the Chief Justice on this Award!

Chief Justice Mogoeng Mogoeng Voted 2017

SOUTH AFRICAN OF THE YEAR



Clearly Chief Justice Mogoeng's efforts in his position and his continued excellence have resonated with the South African of the Year voters in 2017!," ~Jan Scannell

Chief Justice Mogoeng Mogoeng has been named the 2017 South African of the Year, according to a poll hosted by News24. Chief Justice Mogoeng outshone two other South Africans – the Blitzbokke and table tennis player Kevin Anderson to emerge the winner of the award.

The awards are the brainchild of Jan Scannell which were organized in conjunction with the National Braai Day initiative as part of Heritage Day celebrations. Originally the poll, included long jump World Champion Luvo Manyonga, Ndebele artist Esther Mahlangu, Kevin Anderson, the Blitzbokke, and Chief Justice Mogoeng.

Initially posted by Queen Mentor September 27, 2017

Read more: <https://buzzsouthafrica.com/chief-justice-mogoeng-mogoeng-2/>

The finalists for the award were nominated by a panel of journalists and other experts. According to the panel, the Chief Justice was nominated because "he has proven to be a beacon of morality that provides a light for others to follow. He is consistent in choosing what is right and lawful, and demonstrates a commitment to serving the people of South Africa above all."

Results showed that the Chief Justice garnered nearly two-thirds of the vote (63%), followed by the Blitzbokke who pulled a 21% share of the 37 427 votes cast. The third position went to Anderson, who obtained a 16% share of the total votes.



Warwick Goldie
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Am amazing award and totally deserved! Viva Judge MM!!

Jason Thorne [@Jason_Bakkies](#)

I would love to see Judge Mogoeng Mogoeng become South African of the year 2017. Sport people have won it enough times now. #HeritageDay

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Premier, Supra Mahumapelo said: "Bokone Bophirima Provincial Government congratulate Judge Mogoeng Mogoeng on being named SA'n of the Year.



Judge President Legodi

INTRODUCING

MPUMALANGA'S FIRST JUDGE PRESIDENT



On Tuesday August 1, Judge Malesela Francis Legodi started his service as the Mpumalanga Division of the High Court's first Judge President, adding another cap to a career launched in the Lowveld more than 30 years ago. So, just who is Judge Legodi?

Judge Legodi is the 7th born child of Gilbert Makgitla Legodi and Melita Ramatsobane Legodi. He was born out of a family of 8 at a farm next to Maphooto in Limpopo. He completed his B.Proc degree in 1981 with the University of the North (now University of Limpopo).

Interestingly, he had initially registered for B.Com degree in 1976, but changed to B.Proc on the same year after having attended a B.Proc first lecture and found it very challenging and inspiring. In 1978 he had to stop his studies because he had no money to pay for his studies, but returned in 1979 to continue studying.

After his graduation he worked as an interpreter, clerk of the court and a prosecutor at Magistrate Thabamopo, Lebowakgomo in Limpopo until 1982 when he was offered a contract of articleship by Attorneys Ngoepe and Machaka in Polokwane. In 1984 he moved to Mbombela to work in the only black attorneys firm at the time, Phosa Mojapelo and Partners, and was admitted as an attorney during October 1986.

In 1987 he partnered with AK Khoza to open a firm of attorneys under the name Legodi, Khoza and Partners in Bushbuckridge, Mpumalanga and specialized in human rights cases defending political activists across the Province. Later, in 1998, he went solo and opened Francis Legodi and Associates, which he ran until 2004 when he was appointed permanently to the Bench.

Judge Legodi served on many structures before his appointment to the Bench, inter alia, was a monitor during the first democratic elections, electoral presiding officer for Lydenburg (now Mashishing). He became one of

the first members of the then Mpumalanga Tender Board after having assisted in the drafting of Mpumalanga Tender Board. He was a member of what became known as the Ngoben Commission which investigated corruption in the Legislature and later became the Chairperson thereof. He was also the Chairperson of the Mpumalanga Parks Board. He was one of the Commissioners in the Arms Deal Commission, but later resigned for personal reasons.

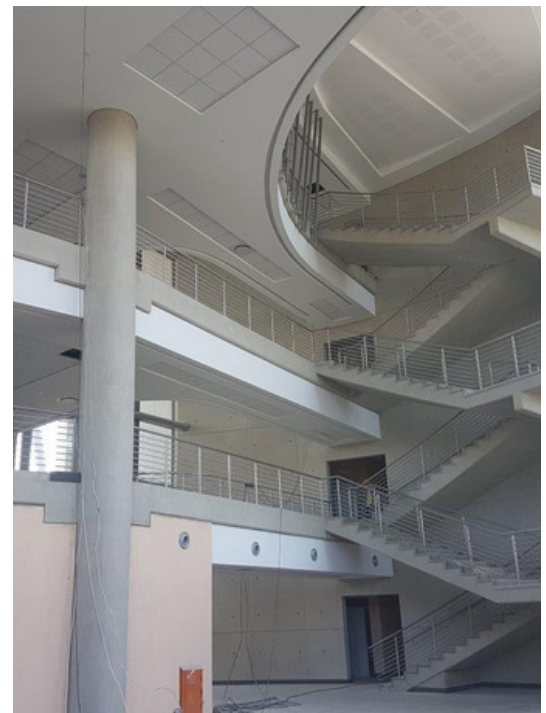
Upon his appointment as a Judge he also took up motivational speaking delivering speeches at schools, universities and other community structures as well as non-governmental organizational work which he continues to do.

He acted in the Supreme Court of Appeal for two terms during 2012, to May 2014. He is currently the Chairperson of the Military Appeals Court and also the Chairperson of the Magistrates Commission.

So, what goals does Judge Legodi have for the Mpumalanga Division of the High Court? The focus

should be on judicial norms and standards, says Judge Legodi. “[W]e have norms and standards issued by the Chief Justice on 14 February 2014 which guide us how to go about executing our judicial functions effectively, efficiently and expeditiously guided by the core values being, equality and fairness, accessibility, transparency, responsiveness and diligence,” he explains.

When asked to tell us something we don’t know about him, he declines to answer saying he ‘cannot judge’ himself. “All I know is that every person is special and important. Respect is earned and people do not care how much you know, what position you hold or how much money you have, until they know how much you care about them. So, taking off the velvet gloves and being of service to our respective communities builds us and make us a proud nation,” concludes Judge Legodi.



The newly built Mpumalanga High Court.

Malibongwe

igama lamakhosikazi



The 13th Annual Conference of South African Chapter of the International Association of Women Judges

The 13th Annual Conference of the South African Chapter of the International Association of Women Judges, took place in Polokwane, Limpopo on 11-13 August 2017. The Conference is held annually and brings together female jurists, and females in the law profession with the aim of finding solutions to the challenges facing women jurists, as well as addressing issues of gender transformation in the Judiciary.

Deputy Chief Justice Zondo delivered the keynote address at this year's Conference. He spoke of the distinctive changes in law between the period under Apartheid and currently under the constitutional democracy. In dealing with the theme "Let's wrap the wide arms of the law around those who need it", the Deputy Chief Justice spoke about how the theme seeks to address access to

justice, whilst relating to the idea of the protection of communities.

The Deputy Chief Justice took the audience back to 9 August 1956, when about 20 000 women marched to the Union buildings and declared that "enough is enough", in response to a legal system that sought to dehumanise the majority of the citizens in this country. He said the intensity of that protest action was a direct response to the laws that were enacted at the time. Following the courageous act of these women, men were also galvanised into action, the Deputy Chief Justice said.

"We seek under the current constitutional dispensation the transformation of the Judiciary [and] having as many women appointed to the Judiciary", Judge Zondo explained. He went on to

pledge R20 000 for the creation of a fund for the development of women in the Judiciary.

Amongst the other speakers on the programme were Justice of the Constitutional Court of South Africa, Justice Theron, Acting Justice of the Constitutional Court Jodie Kollapen and The Honourable Madam Sujata Manohar (Retired Justice of the Supreme Court India), who presented on a varying number of subjects, including customary marriages and Women's Empowerment.



Judge President D. Mlambo



Deputy Chief Justice Zondo



Hon. Sujata Manohar (Retired Justice of the Supreme Court India)



DCJ Zondo and students from University of Limpopo



JP Mlambo; Judge Victor and Ms Teresa Mugadza



Judge President Legodi - Mpumalanga Division of the High Court



Minister of Justice, Michael Masutha



Justice Leona Theron and a delegate



Judge President Kgomo

HANGS UP HIS ROBE

These will be very big shoes to fill.
~**Judge President Tlaletsi**

With a career spanning over three decades, for about two of those serving as the head of the Northern Cape Division of the High Court, Judge President Frans Kgomo has been honoured by his colleagues in a moving farewell on retirement during a special ceremonial sitting and dinner on September 22 in Kimberley.

During the special ceremonial sitting, Judge President Pule Tlaletsi, who takes over from Judge Kgomo, gave a tribute on behalf of the Division, saying that of his predecessor's many achievements, his most enduring legacy would be the structures he put in place to nurture and train Judges.

"His mission has always been the transformation of the legal and judiciary structures," the

incumbent Judge President said in the Northern Cape High Court on Friday, adding that Judge Kgomo had established a "university for Judges" in Kimberley. "He used this court to mentor and train Judges. As a result, all provincial courts have been impacted," said JP Tlaletsi.

JP Tlaletsi said that the fact that more than two thirds of the judges that Kgomo had taken under his wing were women, was a further indication of his commitment to transformation. "We are standing on the shoulders of a giant who never flinched and served with honour," added JP Tlaletsi.

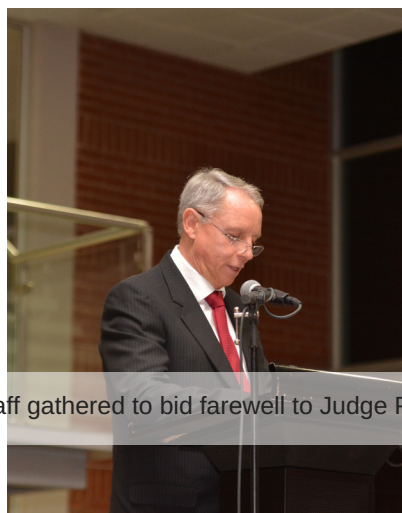
Born in Brits in the North West province, Judge Kgomo became a court interpreter in 1969. He was admitted to the North West Bar

from 1986 to 1998 before moving to Kimberley to serve as an Acting Judge. After only three years on the bench in the Northern Cape, Kgomo was appointed Judge President of the Province in 2001.

"I'm leaving this division in good hands," Judge Kgomo told his family, friends and colleagues who were in attendance at the special sitting. He went on to thank his family and staff for all their support.

To Judge Kgomo from everyone at the OCJ, congratulations on your retirement and best wishes for the relaxing years ahead!

JP Kgomo retires



Colleagues, family, and court staff gathered to bid farewell to Judge President Kgomo on the occasion of his retirement from active service.

CHIEF JUSTICE DELIVERS

10th Annual Bram Fischer Lecture

Chief Justice Mogoeng Mogoeng on 28 September 2017, delivered the tenth annual Bram Fischer Lecture 2017, in Johannesburg.



Chief Justice Mogoeng Mogoeng sharing some light moments with other dignitaries at the Bram Fischer Lecture

HEADS OF COURT MEET

The Heads of the Superior Courts meet three times a year to discuss matters concerning the Judiciary, the effective and efficient administration of the Courts and delivery of access to Justice to all South Africans. They met at the National Office over two days, 28-29 September 2017.





Southern African Judicial Administrators Association (SAJAA) established

The interim Executive Committee of SAJAA with the Secretary-General, Ms M Sejosengwe.

Judicial administrators in the Southern African region have established the Southern African Judicial Administrators Association (SAJAA) as a parallel programme to the Southern African Chief Justices Forum (SACJF) with the aim of building cooperation on key judicial administration matters. The SACJF exists to promote co-operation and exchange best practices amongst the judiciaries in the Southern African region, as well as promote and protect the welfare and dignity of Judges in the member countries.

The establishment of SAJAA was a resolution of a SACJF meeting held on 12 December 2016, in Windhoek, Namibia.

During May 2017, the Permanent Secretary of the Office of the Judiciary in Namibia invited the SG to a planning session from 29 until 30 June 2017 for the inclusion of the Judicial Administration as a parallel programme to the SACJF. The SG honoured the invitation and attended the meeting, supported by Jakes Jacobs (Office of the SG) and Nelson Phakola (Principal State Law Adviser).

Attendees at this planning session unanimously agreed, informed by the December 2016 resolution of the SACJF, that there is a need for a professional body, operating at the regional level, to facilitate co-operation among various institutions in Southern Africa tasked with Judicial Administration.

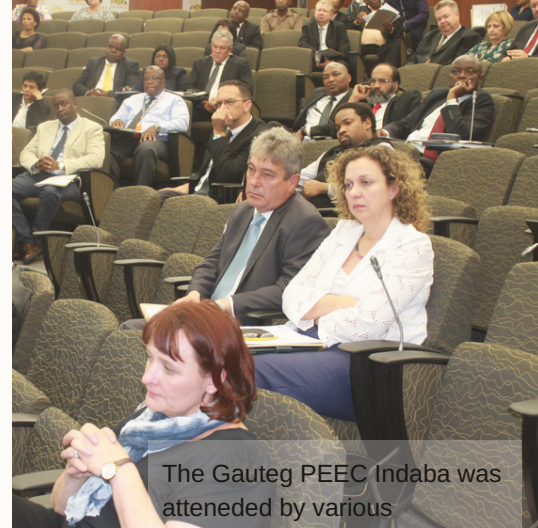
The deliberations culminated in the formation of the Southern African Judicial Administration Association (SAJAA) with the interim Executive Committee consisting of:

- Namibia as Chairperson (represented by the Permanent Secretary of the office of the Judiciary of Namibia),
- Zimbabwe as the Deputy Chairperson (represented by the Deputy Secretary of the Judicial Service Commission of Zimbabwe),
- South Africa as Secretary-General represented by the Secretary General of the Office of the Chief Justice of the Republic of South Africa), and
- Zambia as Treasurer (represented by the Chief Administrator of the Judicial Administration of Zambia).

The Association adopted a constitution and its interim Executive Committee signed a Declaration in which it affirmed that the Association shall be governed by the adopted constitution and that the inaugural Patron of the Association shall be the Honourable Mr Justice Mathew Zulu, Judge of the High Court in Zambia.

The Southern African Judicial Administrators Association (SAJAA) will create a common platform for the promotion of the rule of law, constitutionalism and good governance through ensuring independent judicial administration.

The SACJF is composed of the following Southern African countries: Kingdom of Lesotho, Kingdom of Swaziland, Republic of Angola, Republic of Botswana, Republic of Kenya, Republic of Malawi, Republic of Mauritius, Republic of Mozambique, Republic of Namibia, Republic of South Africa, Republic of Seychelles, Republic of Zambia, Republic of Zimbabwe and United Republic of Tanzania.



The Gauteng PEEC Indaba was attended by various stakeholders. Judge President addressed the gathering.

GAUTENG PEEC DELIBERATES ON BACKLOG ERADICATION

The Judge President of Gauteng Division of High Court observed that the Provincial Efficiency Enhancement Committee (PEEC) deliberations, held over the past few years during the PEEC meetings, revealed that there are pertinent challenges that require robust engagement and practical resolutions to improve efficiency in the Courts. A resolution was taken that a full day Indaba should be scheduled to afford all stakeholders ample time to make a meaningful contribution on measures to address inefficiencies.

In a bid to eradicate backlogs and to ensure faster finalisation of cases, Judge President of Gauteng Division of High Court met with members of the justice and security cluster at Gauteng PEEC Indaba to discuss the fundamental causes on Thursday, 12 October 2017, in Johannesburg, National Prosecution Authority building. Deputy Judge President of Gauteng Division of High Court, Aubrey Ledwaba, and Judge

Ramarumo Monama also attended the PEEC.

The focus in terms of the deliberations made during the PEEC indaba was in the following areas: Striking off trends and analysis at the High Courts and Magistrates Courts, Foreign Language Services, Remand Detainees and Common Roll Collapse causes.

Members also reflected on the status of the lower courts on the finalisation of cases. Unavailability of foreign (languages) interpreters, magistrates and assessors, were said to be the biggest challenge.

Judge President Mlambo encouraged stakeholders not to focus on the statistics but the fundamental cause(s). "Let us be leaders and make things happen", said the Judge President. He also emphasised that all matters which are appearing in court for the first time should be referred to pre-trial (conference) so that issues relating to the accused person not having a lawyer, language interpreter can be clarified before

the actual trial start.

Judge Monama also appealed to all stakeholders to be self-disciplined when carrying out their responsibilities.

The PEEC resolutions are as follows:

- Develop a framework on Foreign Interpreters for implementation of policy to determine which languages will be provided at the courts in view of scarcity of resources.
- Increased co-operation between the Prosecution, Legal aid South Africa and the Judiciary on case scheduling.
- Prioritisation of part heard matters by all stakeholders.
- Re enrolment of Cases that were wrongfully struck off the roll, the DPP to use state appeals where matters were incorrectly struck off the roll.
- Implementation of a Tool to record information relating to SAPS and reasons why cases cannot proceed.

Ceremonial Sitting in honour of Judge GSS Maluleke

In August we learnt of the passing of retired Judge George Maluleke, formerly of the Gauteng Local Division of the High Court.

On 15 August 2017, A ceremonial sitting was held in honour of the late Judge Maluleke, at the Gauteng Local Division of the High Court.

Many came to remember the retired Judge, in attendance was former President Thabo Mbeki,

sitting Judges of the local division, members of the organised profession, family and friends.

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The Judiciary remembers Judge Kirk Cohen

It is a norm in the South African Judiciary that when a Judge passes away, a ceremonial sitting in his remembrance is held. The ceremonial sitting honours the departed Judges for their contribution to the Judiciary.

On 11 October 2017, family members and members of the legal fraternity, led by honourable Judge President Dunstan Mlambo, gathered at the North Gauteng High Court to bid farewell to the retired Judge Kirk Cohen.

Judge Cohen joined the bench as an acting Judge in 1977, and was appointed as a permanent Judge in 1982. He retired in 1997. He was described by many as a selfless and dedicated man, who understood the importance of the Judiciary.

In his tribute, Judge President Mlambo stated that Judge Cohen was a Judge to the core. "I say this without fear of contradiction.

He was a true South African," said Mlambo. He further noted that

Judge Cohen wrote a lot of 'power house' judgments which survived scrutiny. "His judgements will live forever and he is one of those Judges who when we were still students, we aspired to be like him," he said.

Speaking on behalf of the Judiciary, Judge President Bernard Ngoepe described Judge Cohen as an embodiment of a good judge. "He played a big role in the Judiciary," said Ngoepe. He also praised Cohen for his commitment to the Judiciary by recalling how he accepted the responsibility of acting Judge President while already on retirement. "He did that because he had a deeper understanding of what this country was all about," said Ngoepe. "If we continue to have people like Kirk, we would be hopeful," he said.

On behalf of Pretoria Attorney's Association, Mr T Joubert described Judge Cohen as a small man with a big heart. "Appearing before him was not a pleasure,

especially when you were not prepared", said Joubert.

Other structures which paid tribute to the late Judge were the Law Society of the Northern Province, Director of Public Prosecutions, Advocates for Transformation, Johannesburg Society of Advocates, and Pretoria Society of Advocates.

On behalf of the family, Judge Cohen's son, advocate Cohen, spoke about how his father was dedicated to his professional life. "We will continue to honour him," he said.

Judge President Mlambo thanked all speakers from different professions. He also extended his appreciation to the family for allowing the Judiciary to host such a sitting.



JSC Interviews

APPOINTMENTS



The JSC interviews took place in early October 2017 in Midrand, at the OCJ National Office.

The Judicial Service Commission was established in terms of Section 178 of the Constitution and is consist of 23 members. One of the commission's mandate is to interview candidates for judicial posts and make recommendations for appointments to the bench.

From the 02-06 October 2017, members of the JSC gathered at the National Office of the

Chief Justice in Midrand to conduct interviews for various divisions of the High Court.

President Jacob Zuma on Thursday, 02 November, announced the appointment of 15 individuals to serve as Judges in High Courts across the country. This after receiving advice on suitable candidates from the Judicial Service Commission.

Judicial Appointments November 2017

Judge President of the Eastern Cape Division of the High Court, as of 7 November 2017.

Judge Selby Mfanelo Mbenenge

Eastern Cape Division of the High Court, as of 1 November 2017

Mr Ndumiso Patrick Jaji,
Grahamstown Local Division of the Eastern Cape Division of the High Court.

Mr Mbulelo Stanford Jolwana, Mthatha Local Division of the Eastern Cape Division of the High Court.

Gauteng Division of the High Court, as of 1 January 2018

Ms Colleen Jane Collis
Adv Norman Davis SC
Ms Maletsatsi Betty Mahalelo
Adv Tintswalo Annah Nana Makhubele SC
Mr Cassim Mohamed Sardiwalla
Adv David Unterhalter SC
Adv Cornelius Jacobus Van Der Westhuizen SC

Free State Division of the High Court, Bloemfontein as of 16 December 2017

Adv Philip Jacobus Loubser SC

Western Cape Division of the High Court, as of 1 November 2017

Mr Taswell Deveril Papier
Mr Mushtak Kassim Parker
Adv Mark Louis Sher SC; and
Mr Eduard Derek Wille

Wishing all the new Judges well in their new roles!

Disclosure of Judges' Registrable Interests



The law requiring Judges to disclose their registrable interests came into effect in 2014. In terms of this law, Judges are required to disclose their interests to the Registrar of Judge's Interests (the Registrar) located at the Headquarters of the Office of the Chief Justice. The Registrar is the custodian of the Register of Judge's Registrable Interests (the Register).

The Registrar in turn is required to enter the disclosed information into the Register and furnish Judges with copies of entries so captured. The Registrar is required to maintain and update the Register and to make it available upon request for inspection by members of the public and the media.

So what are Judges required to disclose?

Judges are required to disclose the following:

- Immovable property, including immovable property outside South Africa.
- Shares and other financial interests in companies and other corporate entities.
- Directorships, businesses or financial interests in any business enterprise or any legal entity.
- Any royalties received for legal books written or edited by the Judge.
- Gifts, other than a gift received from an immediate family member, with a value of more than R1500.00 or gifts received from a single source with a cumulative value of more than R1500.00 in a calendar year, and including hospitality intended as such.
- Any other financial income not derived from the holding of judicial office.

Newly appointed judges must disclose their interests within 30 days of appointment. Judges who are already in active service are required to inform the Registrar in writing whether the interests previously disclosed remain unchanged, and make amendments or additional disclosures where necessary.

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OFFICIAL LAUNCH OF THE ROBINING ROOM

IN THE GAUTENG LOCAL DIVISION, JOHANNESBURG

The Johannesburg Society of Advocates (JSA) has officially launched the long awaited Robing Room in the Gauteng Local Division Johannesburg on 31 October 2017.

The launch was attended by senior and junior members of the Bar. Judge President Mlambo graced the occasion together with Deputy Judge President Mojapelo and other members of the Judiciary.

Advocate Rusty Mogagabe (Chair of the JSA) stated that the need for a Robing Room came about by virtue of a realisation that members were robing in the streets, in the parking lots and corridors of the court building. This was demeaning and an indignity to the advocates' practice.

In order to restore the dignity, stature and respect of our practitioners, the JSA made funds available for the construction of the Robing Room consisting of more than 100 classy and high quality lockers for use by practitioners.

Mojapelo DJP, speaking on behalf of the Judiciary, lauded the construction adding that members should not only regard it as merely a facility for robing, but more importantly as their "home" for practising their craft in pursuit of the administration of justice.



The newly launched robing rooms at the Gauteng Local Division.



Adv. Rusty Mogagabe addressing practitioners at the launch.



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