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Media Advisory

STATE V MAGASHULE AND OTHERS, 11 AUGUST 2021, FREE STATE HIGH COURT

Members of the media are advised that a pre-trial hearing in the matter State v Elias Sekgobelo Magashule and Others, will be heard at the Free State High Court on Wednesday, 11 August 2021.

In an attempt to prevent the spread of COVID-19, strict social distancing protocols will be observed in the courtroom. Members of the media and the public are requested to follow all security procedures as will be communicated by court officials in order to ensure the safety of all court users.

Access to the courtroom will be for accredited persons only. Please be advised that a <u>very</u> <u>limited</u> number of seats are allocated for accredited members of the media inside the courtroom. Members of the media are requested to submit their accreditation requests to Lusanda Ntuli at <u>LNtuli@judiciary.org.za</u> and cc <u>lusanda02@gmail.com</u>, by 14h00 *Thursday*, *5 August 2021*. Requests received after the closing time will not be considered.

Requests for accreditation must include the individual's name, name of the organisation/media house they represent, ID number / Passport number, designation, and contact details. It should be noted that not all applications will be approved. Outcomes of accreditation applications will be communicated via email.

Accreditation cards will be available and distributed to approved applicants. This will be communicated via email once accreditation has been finalised.

**Kindly make arrangements in writing should you be unable to collect accreditation during the allocated time.



POOL FEED ARRANGEMENTS INSIDE THE COURTROOM

The host broadcaster, who will provide a pool video feed for the proceedings will be communicated in due course.

The South African National Editors Forum (SANEF) and the Foreign Correspondents Association (FCA) are kindly requested to co-ordinate and submit names of photographers who will form a pool for, and provide pictures to the media.

PROCEDURES TO BE AWARE OF:

- 1. When entering the court, mandatory COVID-19 screening will be conducted. Please ensure that you have a face mask on at all times.
- 2. Your accreditation card will be your access to the courtroom. Access into the courtroom will not be granted without presenting both.

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