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MEDIA STATEMENT

JUDICIAL SERVICE COMMISSION

Invitation to submit comments on candidates nominated for the position of the Chief Justice and the Deputy President of the Supreme Court of Appeal

1. The President of the Republic of South Africa, President Cyril Ramaphosa, has informed the Judicial Service Commission (JSC) that he is considering appointing Deputy Chief Justice M M L Maya, to the position of the Chief Justice. The President has further informed the JSC that he is considering appointing the Chairperson of the Electoral Court, Justice D H Zondi, to the position of the Deputy President of the Supreme Court of Appeal (SCA). As part of the consultation process envisaged in section 174(3) of the Constitution, the President has asked the JSC for its views on the candidates' suitability for appointment.
2. Deputy Chief Justice M M L Maya and Justice D H Zondi have accepted nomination and on 22 March 2024, submitted the required questionnaire for Judges and all the standard documents required of persons who seek to be appointed as Judges.
3. Law bodies, members of the public and other interested institutions are invited to make written submissions on the suitability or otherwise of the President's nominees for appointment as Chief Justice and Deputy President of the SCA respectively, and any other relevant information relevant to the selection process. Comments must be directed to the Secretariat of the JSC at: MMondlane@judiciary.org.za and TPhaahlamohlaka@judiciary.org.za, with copy to JSC@judiciary.org.za.



4. All comments must reach the Secretariat of the JSC by no later than **02 May 2024**. Comments on each nominee must be submitted on separate pages. **No comments received after the closing date will be considered.**

5. After receipt of comments, the JSC will invite the nominees to attend interviews that will be open to the public. Details of the date, time and venue will be communicated to the media and the public in due course.

Issued by the Judicial Service Commission

