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Media Statement – Impersonation of Judge President Aubrey Ledwaba

***Note**: Please attribute this statement solely to the Office of the Chief Justice (OCJ) as Government Department and not the Chief Justice of the Republic of South Africa or the Judiciary.*

It has come to the attention of the Office of the Chief Justice (OCJ) that there is an individual(s) impersonating Judge President of the Gauteng Division of the High Court, Judge Aubrey Ledwaba.

According to the information available to the OCJ, the individual(s) sent WhatsApp messages purporting to be from Judge President Ledwaba, using a profile picture of his likeness. The mobile number from which the message came is 081 718 0403 and is registered on WhatsApp as belonging to 'Judge President Aubrey Phago Ledwaba.'

The public is warned not to fall prey to this impersonator and need to be aware that misrepresenting a state of affairs knowing that it is not true; to the prejudice of someone else is fraud. The matter will be reported to the relevant authorities for further handling.

Members of the public and media are requested to contact the OCJ to verify the authenticity of any communication, directive, article, or social media post that purports to be that of a Judge.

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