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JUDICIAL SERVICE COMMISSION

SHORTLISTED CANDIDATES FOR JUDICIAL APPOINTMENT

On 12 May 2025, the Judicial Service Commission (JSC) published notices in the

media calling for nominations of interested persons to fill vacancies in the following

courts - Constitutional Court, Supreme Court of Appeal, Land Court, Labour Court

and various Divisions of the High Court. The closing date for submission of

nominations was 12 June 2025.

Constitutional Court (2 vacancies)

The Constitutional Court advertised two vacancies. Six candidates have applied but

only five of them are eligible to be shortlisted. This means that if one of the candidates

does not make the final list to be recommended to the President, there will be one

candidate short to fill the two vacancies. The JSC has therefore decided to re-advertise

the two vacancies. The advert was published on 18 July 2025, with a closing date of

6 August 2025 for interviews to be conducted during the October 2025 sitting.

Land Court (1 vacancy)

The vacancy has been withdrawn pending the finalisation of the new judicial

establishment of the Land Court in terms of the Land Court Act 6 of 2023.

The following candidates have been shortlisted to be interviewed on 6 - 17

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October 2025.

Supreme Court of Appeal (1 vacancy)

Judge Gerald Hercules Bloem

Judge Busisiwe Shareen Masipa

Judge Pitso Ephraim Molitsoane

Judge Thandi Victoria Norman
Judge Bashier Vally
Judge Leonie Windell

Labour Court (3 vacancies in Johannesburg)

Ms Suzanna Harvey

Eastern Cape Division of the High Court (Deputy Judge President)

Judge Buyiswa Majiki Judge Mandela Makaula Judge Bulelwa Myra Pakati

Eastern Cape Division of the High Court (3 vacancies in Makhanda and Mthatha)

Ms Gaynor Appels

Ms Nolubabalo Cengani-Mbakaza

Advocate Nicola Molony

Professor Nomthandazo Patience Ntlama-Makhanya

Mr Aron Sipho Zono

Free State Division of the High Court (1 vacancy)

Advocate Denise Greyling-Coetzer

Mr Matodzi Brian Nemavhidi

Gauteng Division of the High Court (8 vacancies)

Advocate Thembi Precious Bokako

Advocate Lesibana Gemine Philemon Ledwaba

Advocate Sarita Liebenberg

Judge Daphney Mahosi

Advocate Khashane La Mmapowana Manamela

Ms Nkosingiphile Goodness Ma-Myeni Mazibuko

Advocate Keitumetse Johanna Mogale-Makinta SC

Adv Richard James Austin Moultrie SC



Advocate Ettian Raubenheimer

Advocate Karin Strydom

Mr Stephens Anthony Thobane

Advocate Petrus Arnoldus Van Niekerk SC

Ms Livhuwani Betty Vuma

Advocate Susan Melissa Wentzel

KwaZulu-Natal Division of the High Court (5 vacancies)

Mr Malizo Samkelo Gwagwa

Mr Sanele David Hlatshwayo

Advocate Ranjiv Rajkumar Nirghin

Advocate Murray Breval Pitman

Advocate Mpumelelo Prosper Sibisi

Ms Nomfundo Sipunzi

Judge Namhla Thina Yvonne Siwendu

Limpopo Division of the High Court, Polokwane (1 vacancy)

Advocate Solomon Shami Teboho Kholong

Ms Karin Leanne Pillay

Mpumalanga Division of the High Court, Middleburg (2 vacancies)

Ms Lerato Jane Nontando Bam

Advocate Solomon Shami Teboho Kholong

Advocate Daniel Desi Mogotsi

Advocate Kganki Frans Phahlamohlaka

The shortlisted candidates will be interviewed on 6 – 17 October 2025 and will be notified of the venue, date and time of the interviews in due course.

Law bodies and any persons who wish to comment on the suitability or otherwise of a shortlisted candidate should address their comments to the Secretariat of the JSC at



MSongca@judiciary.org.za and TPhaahlamohlaka@judiciary.org.za, Copied to: JSC@judiciary.org.za. Comments in respect of each candidate must be submitted on a separate page in both pdf and word format, and must reach the Secretariat by no later than 5 September 2025. Comments received after 5 September 2025 will not be considered.

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