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MEDIA STATEMENT

This serves as a reminder to the Law Bodies and members of the public that the closing date for comments on the suitability or otherwise of the nomination of Justice M M L Maya, the President of the Supreme Court of Appeal, for the position of the Deputy Chief Justice of the Republic of South Africa is set for Thursday, 26 May 2022. No comments received after the closing date will be considered.

JUDICIAL SERVICE COMMISSION

Comments on candidate nominated for the position of Deputy Chief Justice of the Republic of South Africa

1. On 7 April 2022 the Chief Justice received a letter from the President of the Republic of South Africa in which the President indicated that he is considering appointing Justice M M L Maya, President of the Supreme Court of Appeal, as Deputy Chief Justice of the Republic of South Africa and seeks to consult the Judicial Service Commission (JSC) on her suitability for such appointment.
2. Justice Maya, has accepted this nomination. Furthermore, on 3 May 2022 she submitted, the required JSC questionnaire and all the necessary and standard documentation required for persons who seek to be appointed as a Judge.
3. Law bodies, members of the public and all other institutions with an interest in the work of the JSC are invited to make written submissions, if any, on the suitability or otherwise of Justice Maya for appointment as the Deputy Chief Justice and any other information which they deem to be relevant to the selection process. These comments should be directed to the Secretariat of the JSC at YVanniekerk@judiciary.org.za and TPhaahlamohlaka@judiciary.org.za, Cc: JSC@judiciary.org.za. Comments must reach the Secretariat by no later than **26 May 2022. No comments received after the closing date will be considered.**



4. Justice Maya will be invited for a public interview scheduled to take place on **20 June 2022** in Gauteng to determine her suitability or otherwise for appointment as Deputy Chief Justice. Details of the time and venue will be communicated in due course to the media and the public.

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