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THE PASSING OF JUDGE MOLOI

The Judge President of the Free State Division of the High Court, Judge President Molemela, has learnt with sadness of the passing of Judge Khalipi Jacob Moloi of the Free State Division of the High Court.

The late Judge Moloi was born in 1946 and completed his Diploma Iuris from the University of Zululand in 1974. In 1978 he graduated with a B.Proc Degree from the University of South Africa before obtaining a LL.M in Human Rights from the Free State University in 1998. He also held a LL.M in International Trade Law, which he obtained from the Stellenbosch University in 2004.

His career in the legal profession started in Umlazi, Durban, where he worked for the Department of Justice as a public prosecutor between 1972 and 1976. He served as a Magistrate in Witsieshook in 1976 before joining law firm Schoeman & Kellerman in Welkom as a candidate attorney, a position he held until 1979. In the same year he opened his own law firm, Jake Moloi & Partners, where he was a practising attorney until 1998.

He later re-joined the public service, serving as Chief State Attorney in Pretoria between 1998 and 2000 before working privately as Legal Consultant as well as a Senior Researcher for the Institute for Security Studies (ISS) between 2001 and 2007. He was appointed as an Acting Judge of the High Court in 2008 and a Judge of the High Court in 2009, a position he held until his passing.

“The late Judge Moloi was a committed Judge and his passing leaves the South African Judiciary poorer. We wish his family and loved ones strength and comfort during this difficult period,” says Judge President Mahube Molemela. May his soul rest in peace.

The details of the funeral will be announced in due course.

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