THE JOHANNESBURG ATTORNEYS' ASSOCIATION

Dear Members

The passing of Jacques Tarica



It is with great sadness that we inform our members that Executive Committee member Jacques Tarica has passed away. As an association we lost a leader, an exceptional organiser and a passionate advocate for attorneys who worked tirelessly to improve the profession. Jacques served as our Chairman for many years and as a GLC and LSNP Councillor, as an Acting Judge, was one of the founding members of the Gauteng Attorneys' Association, Secretariat of the GLDEEC, was on the board of Sheriffs and represented the profession in various LSSA and LSNP committees and sub- committees.

Click here to leave a message of condolence
Click Here to read LSSA letter of condolence

Notification – JAA database clean-up

The Johannesburg Attorneys Association (JAA) are in the process of a massive database purge and some members were incorrectly emailed a letter of demand on 06 May 2021. We sincerely apologize for any inconvenience caused and note that while the amount mentioned in the email is correct according to our records, the demand was not relevant in many cases. We are in the process of responding to the relevant parties personally and treating this with the utmost urgency. Please bear with us as we are dealing with large volumes.

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South African Bar Association Notice – Advocate Admission exams

On the 20th of May 2021, the South African Bar Association will host a meeting with a representative of the Legal Practice Council Exam Department. This session is intended to address all exam related enquiries.

Click here to access the full document online.

Notice to Members – SARS system

The JAA has been alerted to a glitch on the SARS system. The below correspondence explains the issue with the SARS system as the system does not calculate the Transfer Duties payable by the Purchaser.

Transfer duties are calculable on a sliding scale and is determined by the Purchase price. The SARS System usually calculates the amount automatically however there is now a glitch in the system, and it is not calculating the transfer duty payable. Thus, people are going to type in the amount of R3000000.00 and think they do not have to pay transfer duty but as you can see on the below table if you purchase property for the amount of R3000000.00, a transfer duty is payable. The problem is people are now getting receipts for non-payment as the system is not calculating same. However, it is still due and payable to SARS.

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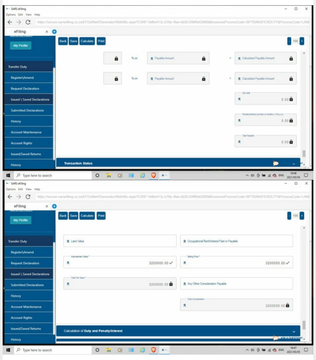

Calling all Candidate Attorneys

Your growth, development, and training toward becoming a well-rounded legal practitioner is important to us at the JAA. As such, we have compiled a short survey to ascertain how we can best support you as you kick-off your legal career. Help us, help you! Take the survey here: https://forms.gle/qVNS9gqfc5pyuf6

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PIPLA newsletter – Thank you to members of the JAA

The Personal Injury Plaintiff Lawyers Association (PIPLA) was formed in 2020 as a non-profit organisation to represent the interests of attorneys, advocates and medical experts, other experts and any persons who represent or assist people who have been injured in motor vehicle accidents in South Africa. To join PIPLA as a member kindly follow this link https://www.pipla.co.za/Members-Register/ . The JAA recently assisted PIPLA and we have been thanked in their newsletter. Read the full newsletter below.

PIPLA PERSONAL INJURY PLAINTIFF LAWYERS ASSOCIATION

Click here to access the full document online.

Johannesburg High Court – Court Terms 2021 – 2027

Kindly find below the Court Terms for 2021 – 2027 and the Directive on Court recesses 2021 – 2027.

Click here to access the full document online.

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Probono.org webinar for legal practitioners – Domestic workers IOD claims and the National Minimum Wage

Probono.org is hosting a free webinar for legal practitioners presented by Andrew Prior, on the 19th of May 2021 between 12:00 pm to 13:00 pm. If you would like to attend this webinar kindly email seshni@probono.org.za by no later than 16:00 pm on Tuesday, 18 May 2021.

ProBono.Org

Chief Registrar Johannesburg High Court – Availability of Enrolment date for Ex-Parte and Interlocutory Applications

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The following dates have been made available for enrolment of Ex-Parte and Interlocutory Applications only: 7 June 2021; and 9 June 2021.

Long pending applications for which no date had yet been allocated are earmarked for these dates in the primary. Ex-Parte and Interlocutory Applications for which dates are allocated in August 2021 will be accommodated in the secondary for reallocation to the available dates. The administration of the above will take place as follows:

- Practitioners are to present themselves with their Interlocutory and/or Ex-Parte applications that are long outstanding in the unopposed motions' office between 11:00 and 15:00 as from tomorrow, 19 May 2021.
- Practitioners will register their affected case numbers in either of the two books (interlocutory or ex-parte) outside the office, opposite the entrance door.
- The office will proceed to prioritising allocation of the available dates according to the date of application.
- Practitioners whose matters would be allocated these dates are urged to proceed with undertaking final enrolment as per the Directives.

No telephone or email requests will be considered – the above administrative process is designed for transparency and is the only process to be followed. NO new date applications will be accommodated in this process. The court will not unilaterally change allocated dates.



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Our social media profiles are updated daily with legal news, overviews and opinions. It's a great way to stay on top of the fast pace of news in Johannesburg, and an easy avenue to contact us or share your thoughts. Like, follow and share on our platforms: