THE JOHANNESBURG ATTORNEYS ASSOCIATION

Dear Members

Commencement of the Property Practitioners Act 2019

The Property Practitioners Act 2019 will come into operation on the 1st of February 2022. We urge practitioners to familiarise themselves with the new Act.

Click Here to access documents online.

Call for input by JAA members in relation to certain issues raised by DJP Sutherland

Please forward same to us in writing as soon as possible, but not later than the 20th of January 2022, such that we can collate same and forward it to the DJP by the deadline of the 31st of January 2022.

1. Request for input about the prospective return to a default physical court hearings regime
2. No decision has been made when this would be appropriate, however planning for it needs to begin.
3. The prospect exists of a hybrid regime going forward; ie some courts would resume traditional physical hearings and others remain remote hearing via video link/s; eg after hours urgent court, unopposed divorce court and perhaps others. Some evidence might be received via video link. Out of town counsel would appear via video link, Etc.
4. All are requested to furnish the DJP with considered suggestions on what is appropriate. This request seeks not merely expressions of preferences but proposals motivating how and why the public interest can be served.
5. The chief registrar to have a standing item on the lead times for all courts between requests for dates and final enrolments.
6. Commercial court: feedback from practitioners on its operations and efficacy.
7. Ad hoc requests for case management: what criteria should apply to grant such requests. What capacity exists to make judges available to undertake such case management.
8. The Covid and remote hearings directives: feedback from practitioners on problems, proposed improvements, and whether the registry staff are following the directives effectively, and if not, how might efficacy be achieved.

Written submissions can be made to xiv@jaa.org.za

Member satisfaction survey

We are always looking at ways in which we can better serve the legal profession and our members. To this end, we ask if you could spare 10 minutes of your time to complete a questionnaire which will assist us in bringing you a service that is more purposeful and meaningful.

Please click on the link and tell us what you think.

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Johannesburg High Court – Motion Applications office telephone number update

The new numbers for the Motion Application Section for
– Unopposed Motions is 010 494 8578
– Opposed Motions is 010 494 8376

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Gauteng Local Division of the High Court – Notice Johannesburg Unopposed Motion Court

Judge Roland Sutherland has issued a Notice to the profession with regards to the unopposed motion court. Kindly note that there is no longer an expected reduction in the lead time to a hearing.

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Gauteng Local Division of the High Court – Notice Road Accident Fund Additional Procedures

Judge Roland Sutherland has issued a Notice to the profession with regards to the additional procedures that attorneys must take when enrolling of Road Accident Fund matters.

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Constitutional Court – Maintenance and Intestate Succession

On application for confirmation of an order of constitutional invalidity granted by the High Court of South Africa, Western Cape Division, Cape Town and on direct appeal from the High Court of South Africa, Western Cape Division, Cape Town. Click the link below to access the order on the Saflii website.

https://www.saflii.org/za/cases/ZACC/2021/51.html

The Gauteng Attorneys Association presents the 2022 Allen West Conveyancing update

Join us for the 2022 Allen West Conveyancing update on the 10th of February presented by the Gauteng Attorneys' Association. Expert Property Attorney, Allen West will guide you through what to expect for Conveyancing in 2022 in this informative webinar. Bound seminar notes will be included. A step-by-step guide is attached to assist you with your registration if needed.

Click here to register.

Click Here for information on how to secure your place in the Allen West Conveyancing Update 2022



Probono.org invites you to attend their Annual Awards Ceremony

Join Probono.org for their online awards ceremony to be held via Microsoft Teams on the 27th of January 2022 starting at 18:00. To RSVP kindly email xoliswa@probono.org.za

. Members have requested that we provide a way for cash to be donated as they are unable to offer their time.

If people wish to donate cash, our banking details are as follows:

Account Name: Pro Bono Organisation
Standard Bank, Johannesburg Branch
Branch No. 00 62 05
Account No. 000 217 840

Kindly use your full name as reference. For more information kindly email margaret@probono.org.za



Community Scheme Ombud Services – Invitation to training session

Presented by: Community Scheme Ombud Services (CSOS)
Date: 21 and 22 January 2022
Where: CAPE TOWN CBD (Venue to be confirmed)
FREE OF CHARGE!
Also available via MS Teams.
Time: 10 – 2 PM Topics:

- The CSOS Panel of Executive Managing Agents
- Scheme Governance Management and Conduct Rules
- AGMs
- Trustees Duties and Owners Rights
- Constitutionality of Rules in Homeowners Associations and Share block Companies
- CSOS Registrations and Levies
- Dispute resolution process
- Life rights

RSVP: Yoyiswa.Dalo@csos.org.za Maximus 250 seats are available! For any assistance please contact: Jahlene.Wasserman@csos.org.za

NAMA Free State Mini Sectional Title Workshop 29 January 2022

You are invited to attend a Mini Sectional Title Workshop hosted by NAMA Free State Saturday, 29 January 2022 at 07:30 at Bains Lodge, 31 Old Kimberley Road, Bloemfontein Topics:

1. Difficulties of the levy collection process
   - Willie Roos, Smatsha
2. Building compliance in Sectional Title Schemes
   - Abie Snyman, Multiperil Property Intelligence
3. Property Practitioners Act
   - Dries Herrschop, Schoeman Herrschop & Pienaar Attorneys

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