

IMPORTANT NEWS

CHAMBER TO CHALLENGE 'UNLAWFUL' MORATORIUM ON LICENCES

Mining lawyers are set for another bonanza following the reply of the Chamber of Mines to the proposed moratorium on mining licences as issued by Mining Minister Mosebenzi Zwane on Wednesday, notes a Moneyweb report. 'The Chamber of Mines has taken legal advice following the notice by the Minister of Mineral Resources published in the Government Gazette yesterday (19 July), which indicates that the notice constitutes an unlawful action for a number of reasons, including: 1) the damaging impact of the proposed action on the mining sector; and 2) that the Minister is acting 'ultra vires' or beyond his powers under the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act.' A report in the Policy Watch section (below) notes the proposed moratorium was 'necessitated' by the Chamber of Mines' 'urgent interdict' application aimed at preventing the implementation of the controversial revised Mining Charter. Confirming this yesterday, a Department of Mineral Resources media statement noted that Zwane's decision 'not to apply' the provisions of the new charter until the chamber's interdict application has 'been heard and judgment given' was made to ensure that the matter is 'handled in a responsible and reasonable manner'. However, as noted in the Moneyweb report, the chamber says it is writing to the Minister to request his immediate withdrawal of the notice, failing which the chamber will apply for an urgent interdict to suspend and review the notice. It says that the 'effect of the notice is to pave the way for the Minister to issue a further notice to prevent the issuing of new mining and exploration rights which will have an immediate negative impact on investment in the sector'.

Source: Legalbrief, 21 July 2017

MINING CHARTER SUSPENDED PENDING HIGH COURT RULING

In what a Mining Weekly Online report calls a clear first round victory for the Chamber of Mines against the Department of Mineral Resources (DMR), Mineral Resources Minister Mosebenzi Zwane has agreed to suspend the implementation of the Mining Charter until after the High Court has pronounced judgment on what the legal fraternity has roundly condemned as unconstitutional, contrary to the Companies Act and a taunting of the World Trade Organisation. The chamber on Friday extracted a written undertaking from the Minister that neither he nor DMR will apply the provisions of the latest version of the Mining Charter 'in any way', pending judgment in the chamber's urgent interdict application. In the event of any breach of the ministerial undertaking, the chamber can set the urgent interdict application down for hearing on 48 hours' notice. Based on the written undertaking, the chamber has in turn acceded to the DMR's request for extra time to prepare its answering affidavit to the interdict application and for the hearing to take place on a date later than the scheduled 18 July. The parties have asked the Deputy Judge President of the High Court to allocate a hearing date in September. This date is subject to allocation by the Deputy Judge President, which is expected to occur by the end of July.

Chamber of Mines CEO Roger Baxter said this was a satisfactory arrangement, as the primary objective of the interdict application was to ensure the charter does not come into effect, pending an application to have it reviewed and set aside. According to a BusinessLIVE report, Baxter reiterated the chamber and industry's commitment to transformation, and stressed that it was 'imperative that meaningful and lasting transformation be undertaken in a way that ensures the sustainability and growth of the industry'. The chamber's application to have the 2017 charter reviewed in terms of the Promotion of Administrative Justice Act and the Constitution will be lodged as soon as possible after judgment has been handed down in the chamber's urgent interdict application. Meanwhile, the chamber's application for a declaratory order in respect of the recognition of prior BEE transactions – the 'once empowered, always empowered' principle – has been re-enrolled for hearing on 9 and 10 November.

Source: Legalbrief, 17 July 2017

SALRC MEDICO-LEGAL CLAIMS PAPER RELEASED

The SALRC has released an issue paper exploring reasons for SA's spiralling number of medico-legal claims – particularly against the state. This is noting that appropriate legislation may be needed to protect national health

insurance and National Development Plan 'ideals' from being undermined by the ongoing 'lawsuit crisis'. Possible interventions could include: 'special health courts'; alternative dispute resolution; 'a no-fault system to resolve birth outcome disputes'; defined benefits; capping claims for non-economic and general damages; prescribed guidelines for calculating compensation; amendments to the 1957 State Liability Act; and compulsory professional indemnity insurance for medical practitioners.

Source: Legalbrief, 17 July 2017

MINISTER APPEALS AGAINST FIREARMS CONTROL ACT JUDGMENT

The Minister of Police has noted an appeal to the Constitutional Court against a Gauteng High Court (Pretoria) judgment, which declared that sections 24 and 28 of the Firearms Control Act were unconstitutional. The sections dealt with the constitutionality of the actions by the police and the Central Firearm Registry regarding the renewal of firearm licences, notes a TimesLIVE report. The challenge was brought by the SA Hunters and Game Conservation Association. Section 24 states that a person who wanted to renew their firearm licence must do so 90 days before the licence expires. The High Court said the difficulty that arose from section 24 was that if a person failed to apply for a renewal at least 90 days before expiry, there was no provision in the Act that permitted bringing oneself back within the parameters of the law. 'This then leads to the result that one is in unlawful possession of a firearm, with no means to rectify the position,' Judge Ronel Tolmay said. In a notice to appeal, the Minister said the proper remedy was to apply for judicial review of the offending administrative action. The Minister said the judge ought to have found that a forfeiture of a firearm as a result of failure to comply with the Act was not a deprivation. It is estimated that 190 000 firearm licences have expired since 2011, with no renewal applications being submitted, says the report.

Source: Legalbrief, 21 July 2017

RECOMMENDED READING

More businesses adopt a tough stance on sexual harassment, by Johan Botes, Baker McKenzie, www.polity.org.za, July 2017

SARS issues a further ruling on venture capital companies, by Mansoor Parker and Anuschka Wischnewski, ENSafrica, www.polity.org.za, July 2017

The lawfulness of retrospective amendments in tax law, by Beric Croome, ENSafrica, www.polity.org.za, July 2017

INDUSTRIAL LAW JOURNALS – JULY 2017

PRESCRIPTION — CLAIM FOR ARREAR WAGES DUE UNDER REINSTATEMENT ORDER

In **National Union of Metalworkers of SA on behalf of Fohlisa & others v Hendor Mining Supplies (A Division of Marschalk Beleggings (Pty) Ltd) (at 1560)** the Constitutional Court handed down two judgments on whether the prescription period in respect of unpaid remuneration owing in terms of a Labour Court reinstatement order was three or 30 years. In the first judgment, the court found that there was no distinction between the period before the reinstatement order and the period thereafter until the employees were in fact reinstated. It found that the claim for arrear wages arose from the reinstatement order and constituted a judgment debt. The claim therefore prescribed after 30 years. In the second judgment, the court came to the same conclusion that the claim had not prescribed but for different reasons. It separated the claim into two distinct periods: that before the reinstatement order — the claim for this period was a judgment debt and the 30-year prescriptive period applied; and that after the order — the claim for this period was a contractual debt to which the three-year period of prescription applied. On the facts, this period had not elapsed. On both judgments, the employees were entitled to backpay for the entire period.

CONTRACT OF EMPLOYMENT — FIXED-TERM CONTRACT — RENEWAL AND TERMINATION

An employee claimed that she had a legitimate expectation of renewal of her fixed-term contract premised on the recommendation of a selection panel which the premier of the province was obliged to follow, and that his refusal to follow the recommendation was unlawful. In the Labour Appeal Court's view, this dispute fell squarely within the realm of s 186(1)(b) of the LRA 1995 — characterising the dispute as having other characteristics too did not dispel the validity of the finding that it fell within the purview of s 186(1)(b). The legislation contemplated that a claim that a fixed-term contract be renewed on the grounds of a legitimate expectation was a species of 'dismissal', as defined in s 186, and

was regulated by s 191 to be within the exclusive jurisdiction of the CCMA. The court therefore upheld the Labour Court's decision that it had no jurisdiction (**Zungu v Premier, Province of KwaZulu-Natal & another at 1644**).

In **Sihlali & others v City of Tshwane Metropolitan Municipality & another (at 1692)** the Labour Court found that the applicants could not rely on s 186(1)(b) where they had earlier refused to enter into fixed-term contracts. In **Baijnath and University of SA (at 1702)** a CCMA commissioner found that the employee had a reasonable expectation of renewal of his fixed-term contract where he had met the criteria of operational needs and performance and the employer had failed to show a rational basis for non-renewal. However, in **Fennel and Walter Sisulu University (at 1716)** a commissioner found that the employee had failed to provide evidence to substantiate his claim that the employer had made a verbal offer to extend his fixed-term contract. He had therefore failed to prove a reasonable expectation of renewal required by s 186(1)(b).

Employees of a temporary employment service entered into contracts of employment linked to a project performed by a client. Following the termination of their services, a bargaining council arbitrator found that the employees had been unfairly dismissed. On review, the Labour Court found that the project was not identified in the contracts and this meant that there had been no meeting of minds on the terminating event that would serve to limit the duration of the contract. The employees were therefore employed on permanent and not fixed-term contracts, and the termination of the contracts amounted to an unfair dismissal (**Central Technical Services (Pty) Ltd v Metal & Engineering Industries Bargaining Council & others at 1651**). Where employees of a temporary employment service were employed on similar so-called limited duration contracts, a CCMA commissioner found that the termination of their contracts for reasons not related to the project on which they were employed constituted an unfair dismissal (**Nakeng & another and Capacity Outsourcing (Pty) Ltd & another at 1722**).

In **Dimane & others and Devtech Civils CC (at 1726)** the employer had, for reasons beyond its control, terminated the employees' fixed-term contracts before the expiry of the contracts. A bargaining council arbitrator found that the employer had no right to terminate the fixed-term contracts prior to the expiration date, and that, despite her sympathy for the employer's position, she had to find that the dismissals were both substantively and procedural unfair.

CONTRACT OF EMPLOYMENT — CASUAL EMPLOYEE

An employment contract entitled the employer to place a casual employee at any site for operational reasons. After his dismissal for gross insubordination was found to be unfair, the arbitration award reinstated him in terms of his contract. In later proceedings, the Labour Court found that the award did not give the employee the right to be reinstated at the site at which he worked before dismissal; it merely confirmed that he was entitled to be reinstated in terms of his contract. It rejected the arbitrator's finding that the employee's working at that site became a term of his employment by custom and practice (**Edcon Ltd v Commission for Conciliation, Mediation & Arbitration & others at 1660**).

CONTRACT OF EMPLOYMENT — RECIPROCAL RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS

In **Mpanza & another v Minister of Justice & Constitutional Development & Correctional Services & others (at 1675)** the Labour Court confirmed that a contract of employment is a contract with reciprocal rights and obligations. In this matter, the employees were under an obligation to work and the department was under an obligation to pay for their services. Where it was apparent that the employees were in breach of their contracts of employment by unlawfully failing to perform their obligations, the department became entitled, in law, to implement the no work no pay no benefit rule.

CONSTRUCTIVE DISMISSAL

The employee claimed that he had resigned because of an affair between his wife and his employer. However, in a claim for constructive dismissal, the Labour Court found that the employee had known of the affair for several years and had forgiven both his wife and his employer. Moreover, it was clear that the true reason for his resignation was that the employee had found alternative employment with a competitor. The application was dismissed (**Niland v Ntabeni NO & others at 1686**).

LABOUR COURT — POWERS

In **Mashaba v SA Football Association (at 1668)** the Labour Court found that it did not have the power to prevent the conclusion of a private employment contract. This finding was endorsed in **Sihlali & others v City of Tshwane Metropolitan Municipality & another (at 1692)**.

BARGAINING COUNCIL — JURISDICTION

In **Department of Home Affairs & another v Public Servants Association & others (at 1555)** the Constitutional Court found that there was no distinction between a dispute of interest and a dispute of rights for the purpose of determining a bargaining council's jurisdiction to conciliate.

URGENT INTERIM REMEDIES

In **Mashaba v SA Football Association (at 1668)** the employee applied for an urgent interim order preventing the employer from filling his post pending the outcome of unfair dismissal arbitration proceedings. The Labour Court found that an employer could not thwart a dismissed employee's bid for reinstatement by replacing him and the mere employment of a replacement should not influence an arbitrator when determining whether reinstatement of the dismissed employee was appropriate. It found further that the court was not empowered to prevent the conclusion of private employment contracts.

In **Sihlali & others v City of Tshwane Metropolitan Municipality & another (at 1692)** the Labour Court refused to grant an interim order restraining the municipality from continuing with a recruitment process pending the finalisation of a s 197 dispute between the employees' employer and the municipality.

SHOP STEWARDS — STATUS AND CONDUCT

The Labour Appeal Court has confirmed the principle that a shop steward should fearlessly pursue the interests of his or her constituency and ought to be protected against any form of victimisation for doing so. The court found, however, that this is not a licence to resort to defiance and needless confrontation. A shop steward remains an employee, from whom his or her employer is entitled to expect conduct that is appropriate to that relationship. Assaults and threats are not conducive to harmony or to productive negotiation, and it is therefore unacceptable to hold that, when a person acts in a representative capacity, 'anything goes' (**National Union of Metalworkers of SA on behalf of Motloba v Johnson Controls Automotive SA (Pty) Ltd & others at 1626**).

<https://juta.co.za/newsletter/newsletter/industrial-law-journal-preview-07-july-2017/>

ACT

APPROPRIATION ACT 6 OF 2017	Date of commencement: 10 July 2017	GG 40971 (10.07.17)
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BILLS

CHOICE ON TERMINATION OF PREGNANCY AMENDMENT BILL, 2017	Notice of intention to introduce and explanatory summary published for comment	GG 40970 (10.07.17)
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DRAFT CUSTOMARY INITIATION BILL, 2017	Published for comment	GG 40978 (14.07.17)
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PROCLAMATIONS AND NOTICES

MERCHANDISE MARKS ACT 17 OF 1941	Proposed prohibition on the use of the: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Department of Health's MAX for male condoms logo • Companies and Intellectual Property Commission (CIPC) figure • BACKCHAT logo published for comment 	GG 40983 (14.07.17)
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EXTRADITION ACT 67 OF 2017	Extradition treaty between the Republic of South Africa	GG 40978 (14.07.17)
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1962	and the Argentine Republic published; entered into force on 16 October 2015	
PLANT BREEDERS' RIGHTS ACT 15 OF 1976	Receipt of applications for plant breeders' rights published	GG 40978 (14.07.17)
CRIMINAL PROCEDURE ACT 51 OF 1977	Determination of persons or category or class of persons who are competent to be appointed as intermediaries published and GN R1374 in GG 15024 of 30 July 1993 repealed with effect from 1 September 2017	GG 40976 (14.07.17)
PETROLEUM PRODUCTS ACT 120 OF 1977	Amendment regulations regarding petroleum products specifications and standards published under GN R431 in GG 35410 of 1 June 2012 repealed with effect from 23 June 2017	GG 40979 (13.07.17)
INTERNATIONAL CO-OPERATION IN CRIMINAL MATTERS ACT 75 OF 1996	Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters Treaty between the Republic of South Africa and the Argentine Republic published; entered into force on 16 October 2015	GG 40978 (14.07.17)
NATIONAL WATER ACT 36 OF 1998	Correction notice to the Draft Mine Water Management Policy Position published under GN 657 in GG 40965 of 7 July 2017 published	GG 40987 (14.07.17)
COMPETITION ACT 89 OF 1998	Competition Commission: Draft Guidelines on the Exchange of Information between Competitors published for comment	GG 40980 (14.07.17)
PROMOTION OF ACCESS TO INFORMATION ACT 2 OF 2000	Department of Transport: Section 14 manual published Department of Water and Sanitation: Section 14 manual published	GG 40977 (13.07.17) GG 40978 (14.07.17)
JUDGES' REMUNERATION AND CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT ACT 47 OF 2001	Determination of remuneration of Constitutional Court Judges and Judges published and Proc 325 in GG 39829 of 17 March 2016 repealed with effect from 1 April 2016	GG 40972 (11.07.17)
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE ACT 63 OF 2001	Draft Unemployment Insurance Fund Act Regulations Amendment Regulations, 2017 published for comment	GG 40978 (14.07.17)
PROTECTION OF CONSTITUTIONAL DEMOCRACY AGAINST TERRORIST AND RELATED ACTIVITIES ACT 33 OF 2004	Entities identified by the United Nations Security Council published	GG 40981 (14.07.17)
USE OF OFFICIAL LANGUAGES ACT 12 OF 2012	Draft Language Policy for the Department of Rural Development and Land Reform published for comment (GN 671 in GG 40978 of 14 July 2017) (p85) SAQA Language Policy published	GG 40978 (14.07.17)
FINANCIAL MARKETS ACT 19 OF 2012	Notice of publication for comment of proposed inclusion/amendments to the JSE Debt Listing	GG 40978 (14.07.17)

Requirements published

DIVISION OF REVENUE ACT 3 OF 2016	Transfers made from the Municipal Disaster Grant published	GG 40985 (14.07.17)
SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONES ACT 16 OF 2014	Draft Regulations in terms of the Special Economic Zones Act, 2014 published for comment	GG 40976 (14.07.17)

PROVINCIAL LEGISLATION**Eastern Cape**

LOCAL GOVERNMENT: MUNICIPAL PROPERTY RATES ACT 6 OF 2004	Mbhashe Local Municipality: Resolution levying property rates for the financial year 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2018 published with effect from 1 July 2017	PG 3874 (10.07.17)
	Kouga Local Municipality (EC108): Municipal Property Rates 2017/2018 financial year published with effect from 1 July 2017	PG 3876 (13.07.17)
DISASTER MANAGEMENT ACT 57 OF 2002	Kouga Local Municipality (EC108): Notice of intention to declare a local state of drought disaster published	PG 3876 (13.07.17)

Free State

LOCAL GOVERNMENT: MUNICIPAL PROPERTY RATES ACT 6 OF 2004	Maluti-a-Phofung Local Municipality: Resolution levying rates and approved tariffs for the financial year 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2018 published with effect from 1 July 2017	PG 33 (30.06.17)
	Dihlabeng Local Municipality: Resolution levying property rates for the financial year 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2018 published with effect from 1 July 2017	
CONSTITUTION OF THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA, 1996 AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT: MUNICIPAL STRUCTURES ACT 117 OF 1998	Metsimaholo Local Municipality: Notice of appointment and determination of powers and functions of administrator of the municipality published under PN 78 in PG 34 of 30 June 2017 withdrawn and substituted with effect from 1 July 2017	PG 35 (30.06.17)

Gauteng

NATIONAL LAND TRANSPORT ACT 5 OF 2009	Johannesburg Metropolitan Municipality: Notice to declare application of extraordinary measures to normalize transport services in areas operated by Witwatersrand and Nancefield Dube taxi associations affected by violence, unrest, or instability as published under PN 564 in PG 156 of 30 June 2017 and PN 581 in PG 166 of 6 July 2017 published	PG 170 (11.07.17)
GAUTENG PROVINCIAL ROAD TRAFFIC AMENDMENT BILL, 2017	Published for comment	PG 171 (12.07.17)
LOCAL GOVERNMENT: MUNICIPAL SYSTEMS ACT 32 OF 2000	Adoption of tariff of charges: electricity, water, cleansing, drainage, general charges for Finance Department, economic development and planning, building control,	PG 171 (12.07.17)

public safety and security, municipal facilities, housing and administration, and policy for the provision of municipal civil and electric services in privately developed areas published with effect from 1 July 2017

Sedibeng District Municipality: Amendment to Determination of charges payable in terms of the by-laws relating to the Hire of City Hall and Banquet Hall published with effect from 1 July 2017

Kwazulu - Natal

KWAZULU-NATAL JOINT MUNICIPAL PENSION FUND (SUPERANNUATION) BILL, 2016 AND MEMORANDUM ON THE OBJECTS OF THE BILL	Published for comment	PG 1848 (07.07.17)
KWAZULU-NATAL JOINT MUNICIPAL PROVIDENT FUND BILL, 2016 AND MEMORANDUM ON THE OBJECTS OF THE BILL	Published for comment	PG 1848 (07.07.17)
LOCAL GOVERNMENT: MUNICIPAL PROPERTY RATES ACT 6 OF 2004	Richmond Local Municipality: Resolution levying property rates and amendment to tariffs for the 2017/2018 financial year published with effect from 1 July 2017	PG 1849 (10.07.17)
	Mandeni Local Municipality: Resolution levying property rates for the 2017/2018 financial year and Municipal Property Rates By-law published with effect from 1 July 2017	PG 1852 (13.07.17)
	eMadlangeni Local Municipality: Resolution levying property rates for the financial year 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2018 published with effect from 1 July 2017	PG 1852 (13.07.17)
LOCAL GOVERNMENT: MUNICIPAL STRUCTURES ACT 117 OF 1998	Ndwedwe Local Municipality: Notice of proposed determination to designate the Deputy Mayor and 3 additional Executive Committee Members as full-time Councillors published for comment	PG 1850 (10.07.17)
LOCAL GOVERNMENT: MUNICIPAL SYSTEMS ACT 32 OF 2000	Ray Nkonyeni Local Municipality: Budget, rates and tariffs of charges for the 2017/2018 financial year published with effect from 1 July 2017	PG 1852 (13.07.17)
	Mthonjaneni Local Municipality: Approval and adoption of tariffs for property rates, electricity and solid waste services; and resolution levying property rates for the financial year 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2018 published with effect from 1 July 2017	
CONSTITUTION OF THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA, 1996; LOCAL GOVERNMENT: MUNICIPAL SYSTEMS ACT	Ray Nkonyeni Local Municipality: Customer Care, Credit Control and Debt Collection By-Laws 2017; and Rates By-Laws, 2017 published with effect from 1 July 2017	PG 1852 (13.07.17)

32 OF 2000 AND LOCAL
GOVERNMENT:
MUNICIPAL PROPERTY
RATES ACT 6 OF 2004

SPATIAL PLANNING AND
LAND USE MANAGEMENT
ACT 16 OF 2013

eMadlangeni Local Municipality: Appointment of members to the Municipal Planning Tribunal and commencement of the Tribunal published with effect from 1 June 2017

PG 1852 (13.07.17)

Limpopo

Limpopo Tourism Bill, 2017

Published for comment

PG 2832 (14.07.17)

Local Government:
Municipal Property Rates
Act 6 of 2004

LIM345 Local Municipality: Resolution levying property rates for the financial year 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2018 published with effect from 1 July 2017

PG 2832 (14.07.17)

Mpumalanga

MPUMALANGA GAMBLING
AMENDMENT ACT 2 OF
2010

Date of commencement of s. 18: 1 June 2017

PG 2829 (11.07.17)

Amends: Mpumalanga Gambling Act 5 of 1995

Repeals: Transvaal Horse-Racing and Betting Ordinance, 1978, Lebowa Horse-racing and Betting Act, 1979, Kwandebele Totalisator Act, 1988 and Bophuthatswana Gaming and Betting Act, 1989

LOCAL GOVERNMENT:
MUNICIPAL SYSTEMS ACT
32 OF 2000

Victor Khanye Local Municipality, Emakhazeni Local Municipality, Dr JS Moroka Local Municipality and Thembisile Hani Local Municipality: By-Laws on Outdoor Advertising published with effect from a date to be announced in the Provincial Gazette

PG 2830 (14.07.17)

SPATIAL PLANNING AND
LAND USE MANAGEMENT
ACT 16 OF 2013

Agreement for the Establishment of a District Municipal Appeal Tribunal Authority between Nkangala District Municipality and Victor Khanye, Dr JS Moroka, Emakhazeni and Thembisile Hani Local Municipalities published

PG 2830 (14.07.17)

Northern Cape

LOCAL GOVERNMENT:
MUNICIPAL PROPERTY
RATES ACT 6 OF 2004

Kgatelopele Local Municipality: Tariffs for 2017/2018 financial year published with effect from 1 July 2017

PG 2110 (10.07.17)

North West

LOCAL GOVERNMENT:
MUNICIPAL STRUCTURES
ACT 117 OF 1998

Rustenburg Local Municipality: Rules of Order By-law 1 of 2010 as published under PN 9 in PG 7725 of 17 January 2017 withdrawn and Rules of Order By-law as published under LAN 80 in PG 6891 of 16 May 2011 reinstated

PG 7780 (11.07.17)

LOCAL GOVERNMENT:
MUNICIPAL SYSTEMS ACT
32 OF 2000

Moses Kotane Local Municipality: Determination of fees, charges and tariffs for the financial year 2017/2018 published with effect from 1 July 2017

PG 7780 (11.07.17)

LOCAL GOVERNMENT: MUNICIPAL SYSTEMS ACT 32 OF 2000 AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT: MUNICIPAL PROPERTY RATES ACT 6 OF 2004	Ramotshere Moiloa Local Municipality: Property Rates By-laws and resolution on levying property rates for the financial year 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2018 published with effect from 1 July 2017	GG 40978 (14.07.17)
Western Cape		
DISASTER MANAGEMENT ACT 57 OF 2002	Stellenbosch Local Municipality: Declaration of a local state of drought disaster published	PG 7789 (07.07.17)
	Swartland Local Municipality: Declaration of a local state of drought disaster published	PG 7789 (07.07.17)
LOCAL GOVERNMENT: MUNICIPAL PROPERTY RATES ACT 6 OF 2004	Cederberg Local Municipality: Resolution levying property rates for the financial year 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2018 published with effect from 1 July 2017	PG 7789 (07.07.17)
	Bitou Local Municipality: Notice of approval of budget and tariffs for the 2017/2018 financial year published with effect from 1 July 2017	PG 7789 (07.07.17)
DRAKENSTEIN LOCAL MUNICIPALITY	Amendment to the Outdoor Advertising and Signage By- law 1 of 2008 published under PG 6516 of 18 April 2008 published	PG 7789 (07.07.17)
LOCAL GOVERNMENT: MUNICIPAL SYSTEMS ACT 32 OF 2000 AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT: MUNICIPAL FINANCE MANAGEMENT ACT 56 OF 2003	Beaufort West Local Municipality: Capital and operating budget and fixing of property rates, tariffs and fees for the 2017/2018 financial year published with effect from 1 July 2017	PG 7789 (07.07.17)
	Cape Agulhas Local Municipality: Capital and operating budget and fixing of property rates, tariffs and fees for the 2017/2018 financial year published with effect from 1 July 2017	PG 7789 (07.07.17)
LOCAL GOVERNMENT: MUNICIPAL SYSTEMS ACT 32 OF 2000; SPATIAL PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT ACT 16 OF 2013; WESTERN CAPE LAND USE PLANNING ACT 13 OF 2014 AND CAPE AGULHAS BY-LAW ON MUNICIPALITY LAND USE PLANNING: CAPE AGULHAS LOCAL MUNICIPALITY	Notice of adoption of the 2017/18 – 2021/22 Spatial Development Framework (SDF) published	PG 7789 (07.07.17)

SEMINARS

NAME OF SEMINAR	DATES	PRESENTER
MEDIATION CIVIL	Pretoria: 21 - 25 August 2017 Port Elizabeth: 4 - 8 September 2017 Nelspruit: 11 - 15 September 2017 Bloemfontein: 2 - 6 October 2017	Various Presenters
OPINION WRITING	Cape Town: 2 August 2017	Ismail Hussain SC
WILLS & TESTAMENTARY TRUSTS	Durban: 16 - 18 August 2017 Cape Town: 13 - 15 September 2017 Pretoria: 11 - 13 October 2017 Johannesburg: 15 - 17 November 2017	Ceris Field
ENGINEERING AND CONSTRUCTION	Cape Town: 22 - 23 August 2017 Durban: 3 - 4 October 2017	To be confirmed
NATIONAL CREDIT ACT	East London: 1 August 2017 Bloemfontein: 3 August 2017 Pretoria: 4 August 2017 Johannesburg: 7 August 2017	Frans Haupt

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