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LSSA newly elected leadership

History was made when the first all-female Presidents Committee was elected at the Law Society of South Africa Annual Conference and Annual General Meeting in March 2022. The elected are: Mabaeng Denise Lenyai as President, and Joanne Anthony-Gooden and Ntlai Eunice Masipa as Vice-Presidents.

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Kwazulu-Natal Flooding

The Law Society of South Africa (LSSA) offers its support and stands in solidarity with the people in the flood-ravaged parts of KwaZulu-Natal.

The LSSA will be making a donation of R25 000 to the relief fund. The President of the LSSA, Mabaeng Lenyai, calls on all legal practitioners who are able to contribute to the relief fund or charities assisting victims, to do so.

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Black Lawyers Association KwaZulu-Natal branch outreach in KwaZulu-Natal

Due to the devastation in the KwaZulu-Natal province the KwaZulu-Natal branch of the Black Lawyers Association will be making donations to the Mandawe and Mzinyathi communities.

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Conversion of certain places as branch courts and periodical courts

The Minister of Justice and Correctional Services issued a notice regarding the conversion of certain places as branch courts and periodical courts, with effect from 1 April 2022.

This is pending the implementation of the broader rationalisation and re-alignment process of magisterial districts. The lists of new magisterial districts and sub-districts for KwaZulu-Natal, the Eastern Cape, the Western Cape and the Free State were also published, effective from 1 April 2022.

[Conversion of certain places as branch courts and periodical courts](#)

[Magistrates' Courts Act 32 of 1944 - Creation of Magisterial Districts and the establishment of District Courts in Respect of the Free State Province](#)



New measures introduced in the unopposed motion court

The Deputy Judge President of the Gauteng Division, Johannesburg, issued an important notice regarding new measures introduced in the unopposed motion court in the second and third term of 2022. Legal practitioners are urged to peruse the notice, which appears on the LSSA's website.

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Online registration of Trusts for Income Tax purposes

Registration of Trusts for Income Tax purposes can now be done online. Further information can be accessed on the SARS Trust webpage.

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SALRC report on various aspects of prescription

The South African Law Reform Commission (SALRC) released a report on its investigation into various aspects of prescription (Harmonisation of existing laws providing for different prescription periods – Project 125). The report includes recommendations on a review of the three-year general prescription period and the issue of delaying the running of prescription.

The report was submitted for consideration to the Minister of Justice and Correctional Services in March 2022.

[Harmonisation of existing laws providing for different prescription periods – Project 125](#)

[Media statement: Release of report on Project 125](#)



Proposed amendment to Uniform Rules 45 and 46

The Rules Board is inviting comments on a proposed amendment to Uniform Rules 45 and 46 to provide for the conduct of online public auctions for sales in execution. The proposed amendments will appear on our website. Practitioners are welcome to send their comments to kris@lssa.org.za by 30 May 2022 or directly to the Rules Board. The LSSA will collate the comments received for submission to the Rules Board.

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Reserve Bank's Exchange Control Circulars

Practitioners who would like to receive the Reserve Bank's Exchange Control Circulars may forward their particulars to Kris@lssa.org.za to be placed on our distribution list.

[E-mail: Kris@LSSA.org.za](#)



Keep software up-to-date

Ensure your software across all machines are up-to-date to stay in line with security features to fend off security vulnerabilities.

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Legal profession in combating corruption

At the LSSA AGM and Conference in March 2022, Professor William Gumede presented his notes on the role of the legal profession in combating corruption.

[Read the full report here](#)



Free online course

Africa Legal is offering a free course – Introduction to Legal Project Management – from their legal development series to all African legal practitioners. This course is being presented by Nicolene Schoeman-Louw, director of SchoemanLaw in Cape Town.

[Click here to register for the course](#)



Global conference

The Law Society of Scotland has organised a global conference to take place on 26 May 2022. Conference topics include: *Donoghue v Stevenson* 90th Anniversary Conference; The Immortal Snail. The event will bring together all the common law jurisdictions and a couple of mixed ones too, including South Africa.

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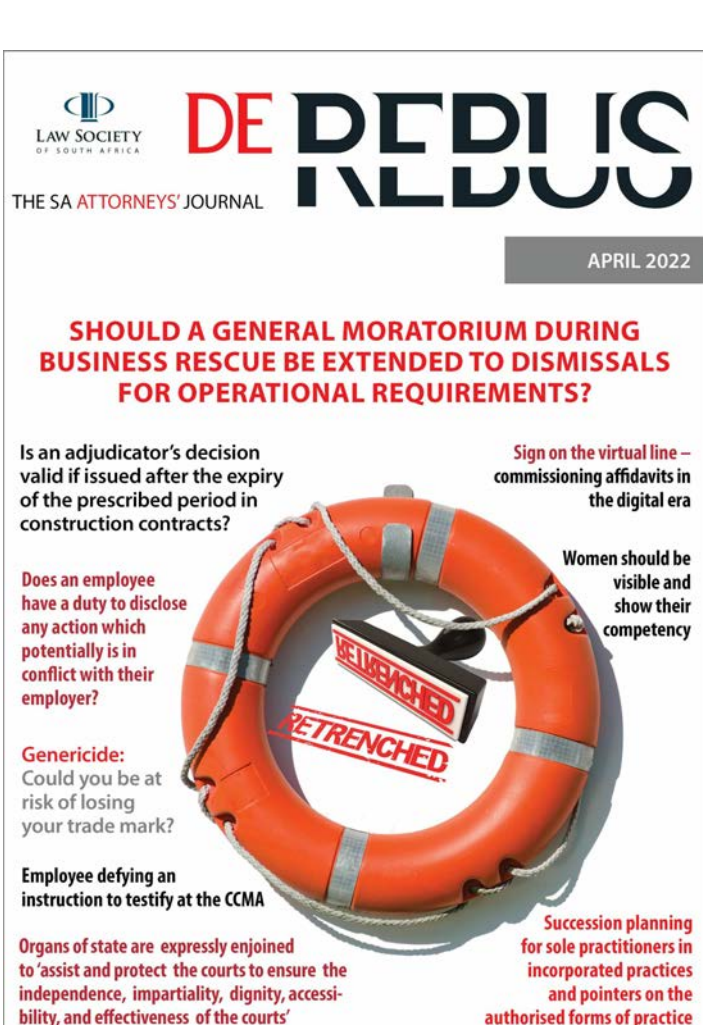
The latest Risk Alert Bulletin is available on the LSSA website.

[Click here for the Risk Alert Bulletin](#)



Look out for LSSA Forums

The LSSA will be launching a new functionality on its website, where practitioners will be able to discuss important issues pertaining to the legal profession. We will be sending out a notification once the forums are live. Participants will be verified before being allowed to be part of the forums.



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Upcoming courses

Child Law
28 April 2022 - 29 April 2022
Webinar

Cyberlaw and Electronic Transactions
4 May 2022 - 5 May 2022
Webinar

PVT Structured Coursework and Exam
Preparation for Pupils 2022
6 May 2022 - 6 August 2022
Course

Client Care (Legal Support Staff)
6 May 2022
Webinar

Commercial Property Rental & Eviction
10 May 2022
Webinar

Litigation Strategy
11 May 2022 - 12 May 2022
Webinar

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