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28 September 2026

Dear Sir/Madam,

NOTICE OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING – 22 OCTOBER 2026

The Annual General Meeting of this association will be held at the Pretoria Country Club, Mardi Gras (241 Sidney Street, Waterkloof), Mardi Gras Venue, on Thursday, 22 October 2026 at 17h30. The agenda for the meeting and nomination forms are attached hereto, for your attention.

All nominations shall be in writing and shall be forwarded with the nominee's written acceptance to the Secretary not less than 7 (seven) days before the date of the AGM. In order to be eligible for election, each nominee must be in good standing with the Association and must be nominated by an Attorney and seconded by an Attorney, both of whom are members of the Association.

Notice of any resolutions to be moved at the meeting and nominations must reach the manager of the association on or before 14 October 2026 by email at lizette@ppv.co.za / ppv@ppv.co.za.

Kindly click on this link [<https://www.ppv.co.za/rsvp-annual-general-meeting/>] to confirm your attendance and dietary requirements.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Mark Christodoulou', enclosed within a simple oval outline.

Mark Christodoulou
Secretary
Pretoria Attorneys Association

Executive Committee: Bhavna Singh (Chairperson); Ndangi Thovhakale (Vice-Chairperson); Millie Shantall-Lurie (Treasurer); Mark Christodoulou (Secretary); Conrad van der Vyver; Nicolette de Witt; Courtney Singh; Cynthia du Plessis; Andries Nkome; Shikara Balkishun; Mar-Doreth Grobler; Sarah Suleman; Carla Botha; Lindie van Schoor



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AGENDA FOR THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING – 22 OCTOBER 2026

1. WELCOME
2. GUEST SPEAKER
3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON 23 OCTOBER 2025
4. CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF ANY MOTIONS
5. CONSIDERATION AND ACCEPTANCE OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
6. APPOINTMENT OF AUDITORS AND FIXING OF THEIR REMUNERATION (QUOTATIONS CAN BE DOWNLOADED HERE: [Auditors](#))
7. ADOPTION OF THE AMENDED CONSTITUTION OF THE PAA
8. CONSIDERATION AND ACCEPTANCE OF THE CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT, INCLUDING THE VARIOUS SUB-COMMITTEES CONSISTING OF:
 - 8.1 Bursaries
 - 8.2 Candidate Attorneys
 - 8.3 CIPC
 - 8.4 Deceased Estates and Master's Office
 - 8.5 Family Law
 - 8.6 High Court
 - 8.7 Intellectual Property
 - 8.8 Liaison
 - 8.9 Magistrate's Court
 - 8.10 Property Law
 - 8.11 Road Accident Fund
 - 8.12 Student Chapter
9. ELECTION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE FOR 2026/2027

Executive Committee: Bhavna Singh (Chairperson); Ndangi Thovhakale (Vice-Chairperson); Millie Shantall-Lurie (Treasurer); Mark Christodoulou (Secretary); Conrad van der Vyver; Nicolette de Witt; Courtney Singh; Cynthia du Plessis; Andries Nkome; Shikara Balkishun; Mar-Doreth Grobler; Sarah Suleman; Carla Botha; Lindie van Schoor

10. ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON, VICE-CHAIRPERSON, SECRETARY AND TREASURER
11. SPECIAL RECOGNITION AND LONG-SERVING MEMBERS AWARDS
12. ADDRESS BY SPONSORS
13. GENERAL
14. CLOSING OF THE MEETING



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MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE PRETORIA ATTORNEYS ASSOCIATION HELD ON THURSDAY, 23 OCTOBER 2025, AT THE PRETORIA COUNTRY CLUB

1. WELCOME AND ATTENDANCE

The Vice-Chair (Tiaan Joubert) welcomed all members in attendance. Tiaan Joubert moved for the agenda to be adopted by the members present.

Approval – Nicolette de Witt

Seconded – Dawie Beyers

2. GUEST SPEAKER – KYLE COWAN

3. SPECIAL RECOGNITION AND LONG SERVING MEMBERS AWARDS

Andre du Plessis presented the award to Louis van Wyk.

4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 23 OCTOBER 2024 AND MATTERS ARISING THEREFROM

The minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 23 October 2024 were accepted and there were no matters arising from the previous minutes.

Approval – Mohale Kgatla

Seconded – Mark Christodoulou

5. CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF MOTIONS TO BE PASSED

5.1 The appointment of auditors – There is no requirement for an auditing firm to be rotated. The PAA undertook to obtain quotes for a new auditor in 2027 but that the current auditor remain for the period 2025 to 2026. There were no objections.

5.2 Student Chapter – The constitution was amended for this purpose but the Student Chapter is well underway by the PAA.

5.3 Bursaries for underprivileged students – The bursary fund was suspended temporarily post Covid and the Exco of the PAA has now reinstated the bursary fund which will commence in 2026. The criteria for a bursary application will be placed on the PAA website. No objections.

5.4 The creation of a Benevolent Fund – The PAA has assisted members of staff but the Constitution has been amended to extend this Fund to the members of the PAA. The 2026 Exco is yet to determine a criteria for this Fund.

5.5 South African Attorneys Federation was established in February 2025 – independent voluntary association for attorneys which is fairly new and more information regarding this federation will be forthcoming in 2026.

6. CONSIDERATION AND ACCEPTANCE OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Treasurer presented her report as well as the financial statements and same has been placed on the website and forms part of the Chairperson's Report. The financial statements have accordingly been accepted.

Approval – Mohale Kgatla

Seconded – Andries Nkome

7. APPOINTMENT OF AUDITORS AND FIXING OF THEIR REMUNERATION

The appointment of the auditors (Meintjies and Vermooten) was approved and the Treasurer moved for a motion for Executive Committee to decide and fix the auditor's remuneration. Mr Twannie de Witt was present at the AGM.

Approval – Tiaan Joubert

Seconded – Mark Christodoulou

7. ADOPTION OF THE AMENDED CONSTITUTION

The Treasurer moved for the adoption of the amended Constitution.

Approval – Mohale Kgatla

Seconded – Matome Selepe

8. CONSIDERATION AND ACCEPTANCE OF CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT, INCLUDING THE SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

The Chairlady then presented her report and also discussed the various sub-committee annual reports. The Chairman's report was accordingly accepted.

Approval – Mohale Kgatla

Seconded – Andre du Plessis

5. ELECTION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE FOR 2024/2025

There were 14 nominations received by the Secretary. The Constitution of the PAA makes provision for an Executive Committee of 14 members and therefore no voting will take place at this AGM.

6. ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON, VICE-CHAIRPERSON, SECRETARY AND TREASURER

The members authorise the Executive Committee for 2025/2026 to elect these positions at their first meeting in November 2025.

7. CLOSING OF THE MEETING

The Chair thanked the members for attending and the meeting was adjourned.

8. ADDRESS BY SPONSORS

Currencies Direct and AJS addressed the members.

APPROVED:

SECRETARY

CHAIRPERSON



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NOMINATION OF MEMBER FOR THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE 2026/2027

We,

1. _____

and

2. _____

hereby nominate in terms of paragraph 9 of the Constitution of the Pretoria Attorneys Association,

(full names)

as member of the Executive Committee of the Pretoria Attorneys Association.

Signed at Pretoria on this _____ day of _____ 2026

1. _____

(NOMINATOR)

Name: _____

2. _____

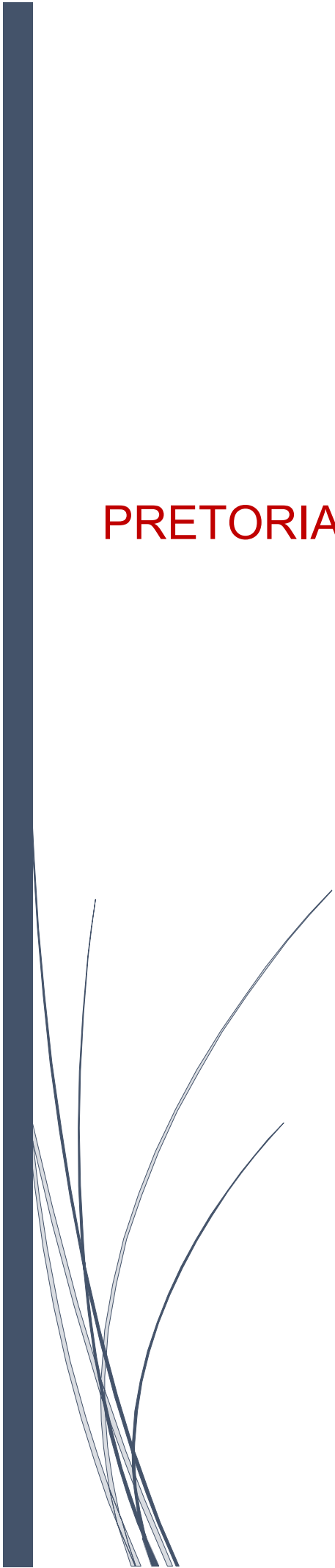
(SECONDER)

Name: _____

I accept the abovementioned nomination:

NOMINEE

Date:



PRETORIA ATTORNEYS' ASSOCIATION CONSTITUTION



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THE CONSTITUTION OF THE PRETORIA ATTORNEYS'

ASSOCIATION

1. PREAMBLE

It is the intention of the Pretoria Attorneys' Association (PAA) established in 1946, to facilitate and enhance an independent legal profession for the Tshwane Magisterial Jurisdiction that broadly reflects the diversity of the Republic and to establish a student organization that will assist law students with undergraduate or post-graduate law degrees, to apply theoretical knowledge practically by providing a platform that will enable students to engage in robust legal discussions, acquire practical skills and establish meaningful relationships within the legal fraternity.

Whereas the members of the PAA recognise the constitutional right to freedom of trade, occupation and profession and to practice the trade of a legal practitioner;

Now the signatories hereto hereby amend and adopt the constitution of the PAA.

2. NAME:

The name of the Association is the PRETORIA ATTORNEYS' ASSOCIATION ("PAA") hereinafter referred to as either "the PAA" or "the Association".

3. DEFINITIONS:

- 3.1. "Executive" or "Executive Member" of the Association means the members so elected at an Annual General Meeting ("AGM"), Special General Meeting ("SGM") or Special Meeting called for this purpose, including members who have been co-opted to the Executive and the aforesaid phrases are used interchangeably;

- 3.2. "Association Expenses" means all fees, expenses and charges paid or incurred by the PAA for or in connection with the operation and administration of the PAA, including audit fees, legal fees, consulting fees, payment of honoraria to Executive Committee Members, bank charges and all reasonable expenditure associated with meetings of the Executive;
- 3.3. "Chairperson" means the chairperson of the PAA, as appointed by the Executive from time to time in terms of clause 9;
- 3.4. "Legal Practitioner" shall have the meaning ascribed thereto in the Legal Practice Act No 28 of 2014 as amended or re-enacted from time to time;
- 3.5. "MANCO" consists of the Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Treasurer and Secretary, who are entrusted with the day to day running of the PAA, the taking of urgent decisions regarding the management and running of the PAA, as well as of the tasks entrusted to MANCO by the Executive;
- 3.6. "Members" means any attorney legal practitioners (hereinafter referred to as the attorneys) and candidate legal practitioners and shall further include Associate and Honorary members as referred to in clauses 6 and 8;
- 3.7. "Student Chapter" means the Pretoria Attorneys' Association Student Chapter, being a non-political, non-racial, non-sexist and non-discriminatory organisation committed to the advancement of law students having an undergraduate or post-graduate law degree and to advance academic excellence;
- 3.8. Any expression which denotes any gender, includes the other gender. A natural person includes a juristic person and *vice versa* and the singular includes the plural and *vice versa*;
- 3.9. Unless specifically otherwise provided, any number of days prescribed shall be determined by excluding the first and including the last day or where the last day falls on a day that is not a business day, the next succeeding business day.

4. **OFFICE / PREMISES:**

The office / premises of the PAA shall be at Room 5.15, Fifth Floor, High Court Building, Madiba Street, Pretoria or such other place as the Executive may from time to time determine.

5. **OBJECTS:**

The objects of the PAA are the following:

- 5.1. To express its views on matters of common concern to its members and to make representations on behalf of members to any and all bodies and/or organisations such as Government Departments, professional structures in the legal profession and other bodies or persons, provided that in doing so, the Association shall not express its views or make representations on matters not directly or indirectly affecting its members or their practices;
- 5.2. To co-operate with other Attorneys' Associations as well as with other professional structures created by statute;
- 5.3. To establish closer relations and association between members of the legal profession whether professionally, socially or otherwise;
- 5.4. To foster legal studies and to grant bursaries to needy students;
- 5.5. To consider legislation and to make representations, if necessary, in connection therewith;
- 5.6. To encourage and promote transformation in the legal profession with emphasis on gender equality, people with disabilities and previously disadvantaged individuals;

- 5.7. To mediate between members and adjust and settle differences between them whenever called upon to do so by such members;
- 5.8. To afford opportunity for the expression of the views of members on matters affecting the legal profession;
- 5.9. To acquire any rights or privileges which the PAA may regard as necessary or convenient for its purposes;
- 5.10. To purchase, hire or otherwise acquire, any movable or immovable property and to erect buildings thereon and to sell, improve or lease or otherwise deal with all or any of the property or assets of the PAA;
- 5.11. To collect, canvass for and to accept subscriptions, donations, bequests, endowments and benefits of any nature for the PAA from any person or body and from any source whatsoever;
- 5.12. To raise or borrow money from time to time in such a manner as the PAA may think fit, and to mortgage or hypothecate all or any of the present or future property of the PAA;
- 5.13. To invest monies of the Association in such securities and unit trusts as may be determined by the executive from time to time;
- 5.14. To promote continuing legal education;
- 5.15. To keep members informed on matters affecting the legal profession;
- 5.16. To arrange meetings of its members for social, educational or professional purposes;

- 5.17. To provide all forms of legal training and education in the field of law to its members;
- 5.18. From time to time, at the discretion of the Executive, to make donations to institutions, bodies corporate, welfare organisations and/or universities or other institutions of higher learning, where this is considered necessary to further the interests of the profession, or of its members, provided that the Association shall not be permitted to distribute any of its profits or gains to any person, but shall be required to utilise its funds solely for investment purposes, or to promote the objects for which it has been established and upon its winding up or dissolution, it shall be obliged to transfer its assets remaining after the satisfaction of its liabilities, to a similar Association;
- 5.19. To act in the general interest of members and the profession and to ensure that state mechanisms, including the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa, fundamental human rights, legislation, the judicial system, the common law and the rule of law are maintained, upheld and developed in such a manner so as to protect and promote the general wellbeing of the profession, including safeguarding the interests of attorneys, so as to enable them to make their skills available to those requiring their legal expertise in any manner whatsoever;
- 5.20 To engage the Association in legal proceedings in any capacity which the Executive may deem necessary so as to advance, protect, uphold or develop the objects and interests of the Association and/or the interests of its members;
- 5.21 To circulate information electronically, or otherwise, which may be of interest to members in their practices;
- 5.22 To establish a fund for the purposes of carrying out the objects of the PAA and to make such payments as may be deemed necessary;

- 5.23 To distribute its profits or gains and to utilize its funds solely for investment purposes or for the promotion of its objects and to make such presentations (and or donations to members and employees of the PAA, and officials associated with the profession) and to give such tokens of appreciation and/or sympathy as the Executive in its absolute discretion may think fit;
- 5.24 To form a relationship with similar associations active in Gauteng and the Republic of South Africa, and other outer lying areas and to create new entities, with similar objects, as and when required;
- 5.25 To establish and take part in the formation of a Regional Attorneys' Association for attorneys in Gauteng and outer lying areas and if deemed necessary to fund such Association with funds of the PAA; and to establish and take part in the formation of a National Attorneys' Association for attorneys in the Republic of South Africa and if deemed necessary to fund such Association with funds of the PAA
- 5. 26 To recognise and honour Members and non-members appropriately, who have rendered exceptional service to the Association and/or the profession in general and where appropriate to bestow lifetime awards on such individuals;
- 5.27. To make presentations and to issue certificates of recognition to Members who have appropriately practiced for 35 years, 50 years or in excess thereof respectively;
- 5.28. To consider the payment of Honoraria to members of the Executive and if approved the determination of the amount payable;
- 5.29. To recognise the outstanding academic achievements of students at the University of Pretoria, the University of South Africa ("Unisa"), the Law Clinic (IIE's Varsity College Community Law Clinic, Pretoria) and any other such educational institutions within the Tshwane district;
- 5.30. To assist members in order for them to receive references, referrals, appointments as arbitrators or mediators, Alternative Dispute Resolution "ADR" process appointments, assessment of Bills of cost and any other service or referral system that would be to the benefit of members and the public in general;

- 5.31. To mandate and entitle the Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson of the Association to appoint members to act as arbitrators, mediators, chairpersons of tribunals et cetera;
- 5.32. To canvass for and to accept donations, bequests, endowments and benefits of any nature for the PAA from any person or body and from any source whatsoever for the benefits of both the PAA and the Student Chapter;
- 5.33. To establish sub-committees to assist the Executive with the execution of its duties and objects described herein. Such sub-committees to consist of members and other suitably skilled individuals as required in the execution of such sub-committees' duties and tasks;
- 5.34. To do all such other things as are incidental or conducive to the attainment of these objects.

6. **MEMBERSHIP:**

- 6.1. The members of the PAA shall be practicing attorneys who have subscribed to be members of this Association and have paid the due subscription fees. The said members accept the principles contained herein and by being members, accept and abide by this Constitution;
- 6.2. The honorary members of the PAA shall be those persons, who in discretion of the Executive, have by reason of their services, contributed to the legal profession generally and to this Association and include all such individuals to whom the Association awarded "life time awards". Honorary membership shall be for life and shall confer on such a person all the rights and privileges of membership and impose on such a person all the duties and obligations

pertaining thereto, save for the fact that such a person shall not be required to pay any subscription fees, or to practise as an attorney;

- 6.3 A candidate legal practitioner serving under articles of clerkship with a legal practitioner who is a registered member of the Association, shall be eligible to become an associate member of the Association upon application with the right to attend an AGM and/or SGM of the Association as an observer, however without the right to vote.

7. **CESSATION OF MEMBERSHIP:**

A member shall cease to be a member of the PAA if;

- 7.1 He/she resigns as a member of this Attorneys' Association and his/her resignation is accepted by the Executive;
- 7.2 His/her subscription fees with this Association is in arrears for a period of 6 (six) months and he/she fails, notwithstanding demand for payment, to pay the amount of the arrears and the Executive resolves that his/her membership of the PAA be terminated;
- 7.3 He/she is expelled from the PAA by resolution of the PAA at a General Meeting of the PAA. The resolution for such expulsion shall only be deemed to have been passed if it is approved by a majority of the members present at a such meeting; or
- 7.4 Despite a warning and/or discussion and direction, is found guilty of unethical and/or improper and/or unseemly conduct and his/her membership is suspended or terminated by the executive; or
- 7.5 He/she has been struck off or suspended from the Roll of Attorneys; or

- 7.6 He/she is a member of another association of which the aims and objectives are found to be in conflict with the aims and objectives of this Association.

8. **SUBSCRIPTION:**

- 8.1. A subscription fee may be determined by the Executive if, and when it is deemed necessary to do so, which subscription fee from time to time, shall be paid by each member except for an honorary member, or associate member;
- 8.2. The Executive shall be entitled at any time to increase the subscription fee by an amount in the discretion of the Executive. The Executive shall also be entitled to determine the manner and form in which such subscriptions should be levied;
- 8.3. The financial year of the PAA shall commence on the first day of July in each year and shall end on the last day of June each year and subscriptions fees shall be due and payable on such date if payable yearly. Should the Executive determine the subscription fees to be payable on a monthly basis, the subscription fees shall be due and payable on the last day of each month. For the purpose of this clause 8, a member shall not be regarded as being in arrears unless his/her subscription fees remains unpaid for 14 (fourteen) days after written notice has been given to him/her by the PAA that his subscription fees is actually in arrears;
- 8.4. The Executive shall take due consideration of the rates of inflation and the requirements of the Association, and shall give notice to its members before the end of April each year of any increase in subscription fees.

9. **MANAGEMENT:**

- 9.1. The Executive shall consist of a Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Secretary and a Treasurer, assisted by at least 12 (twelve) Executive Committee members who shall manage the PAA, all of whom shall be elected from those members

eligible to be members of this Association, at the AGM of the PAA, or at any other meeting of the PAA specially called for such purpose. The Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Treasurer and Secretary shall form the MANCO of the Executive and may either be elected at the AGM or at the first meeting of the Executive Committee. Each nominee shall be both proposed and seconded and shall accept such nomination before he shall be regarded as a candidate for such office. Such nomination must be in writing and submitted to the Secretary no later than 7(seven) days prior to the AGM or special meeting called for such purpose;

- 9.2. The Executive has the right to co-opt additional or substitute members to the Executive;
- 9.3. Each Executive member shall hold office for a 1 (one) year period, but the retiring members shall be eligible for re-election;
- 9.4. The General Meeting shall first out of those persons nominated in terms of this clause 9, elect 12 (twelve) persons to hold office as members of the Executive until the next AGM. If there be an equality of votes for the last one or more places in the Executive Committee re-voting shall take place in which all the members present at the meeting shall be entitled to take part as to which of the nominees who have received such equal number of votes shall be elected. The Chairperson shall have a casting vote should there again be a tied vote;
- 9.5. If any of these offices shall become vacant between elections, the Executive shall be entitled to fill the vacancy by way of co-option. All existing office bearers and sub-Executive members shall hold office until the formal appointments are made at the first Executive meeting after the AGM;
- 9.6. A member who, with the object of gaining election to the Executive, or of advancing his/her prospects of election, canvasses for votes, or offers any inducement or assistance, or in any other way promotes or is a party to the promotion of his/her own candidature, other than by accepting or indicating that he/she is prepared to accept nomination, shall be guilty of unprofessional

conduct and shall not be allowed to take part in such an election. If however, such a member was elected and then found guilty, and notwithstanding any punishment imposed on him/her, he/she shall summarily be removed from office at a special Executive meeting convened for the purpose of considering his/her removal, provided that the quorum at any such meeting shall be 8 (eight) members of the Executive, exclusive of the member whose removal is so considered, present at the commencement of the meeting;

9.7. No member shall be allowed to take part in an election as an Executive member, if such a member is doing so directly or indirectly in the name of a political party, union, pressure group, or cultural or religious organisation. If a member was elected with the support of any such organisation, the same removal procedure shall apply as stated in clause 9.6 above:

9.8.

9.8.1 6 (six) Executive members shall be required to form a quorum at an Executive Meeting;

9.8.2 The Executive may from time to time co-opt members to serve on the Executive, as set out in clause 9.2 above;

9.8.3 Such co-opted member shall have the right to vote on all matters affecting the Association.

9.9. If the Association fails at the AGM in any year to elect a new Executive, the retiring Executive shall forthwith convene a further General Meeting for the purpose of holding such election and pending the holding of such further meeting, the existing Executive shall continue in office. If no new Executive is elected at such further meeting, or at an adjournment thereof, the retiring Executive shall be deemed to have been re-elected for a further year and the Executive Committee shall continue to hold the same office for such further year;

- 9.10. All names of the persons nominated shall be notified to members not less than 3 (three) days before the date of the AGM;
- 9.11. In the event of any vacancy, or vacancies occurring on the Executive, or among the Executive Members of the PAA, the remaining Executive Members of the PAA shall have the power to fill any such vacancy or vacancies on a temporary basis by way of co-option. The member or officer so appointed shall hold office on the same terms and conditions as the member or officer whose place he/she takes and shall serve only until the next AGM at which he/she will be eligible for re-election. If the remaining members of the Executive do not constitute a quorum, they shall have no power to fill vacancies on the Executive and may only function until such time as a General Meeting to fill the vacancies can be convened. It shall be the duty of such remaining members to convene such General Meeting at the earliest possible date;
- 9.12. Any member of the Executive may be removed from his office as such by a resolution passed by a two thirds majority of the members present at a SGM of the PAA called for such purpose;
- 9.13. Subject to clause 9.12, any member who misses 3 (three) consecutive meetings of the Executive, without leave of absence or reasonable excuse, shall automatically be disqualified from office and the Executive shall be entitled to replace such member in terms of this constitution. Any member attending less than 50% (fifty percent) of Executive Meetings from date of election to the next AGM, without prior leave of absence, or reasonable excuse from the Executive, shall not be eligible to stand again for re-election to the Executive the following year;
- 9.14. Minutes shall be taken at every meeting and be kept by the Secretary of the PAA. Minutes of each meeting are to be provided to Executive within 7 (seven) days after the date of such meeting at which said minutes were taken. The aforesaid minutes are to be confirmed at the said following meeting of the Executive.

10. **POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE EXECUTIVE:**

The Executive shall conduct all the affairs of the PAA and be entitled to attend to all matters and things not specially required to be done at a General Meeting, or not expressly required to be otherwise performed. Without limiting its rights of management, the Executive shall have the following special powers:

- 10.1 To convene meetings;
- 10.2 To appoint, remove and determine the duties, salaries or remuneration of employees of the PAA;
- 10.3 To hold and have custody and control of the funds and other property of the PAA;
- 10.4 To open a banking account for purposes of transacting on behalf of the Association by the joint signatures of any 2 (two) of the following Executive Members, namely – The Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, Treasurer and Secretary for the time being;
- 10.5 To appoint sub-committees and delegate any of its powers to such committees;
- 10.6 Subject to the constitution for the time being in force, to frame and promulgate regulations for the conduct of the business of the PAA and to do all other things that it may consider conducive to the interest or good management of the PAA or the promotion of its objects;

- 10.7 To take decisions regarding remuneration and the calculation of an honorarium for its Executive;
- 10.8 To direct and conduct any enquiry into any complaint received regarding a member's alleged conduct contrary to the provisions of this constitution;
- 10.9 To compel any member of the PAA subjected to such enquiry to submit on demand all documentation and information required by the Executive to investigate such a complaint;
- 10.10 To review the annual subscription fees payable in terms of this constitution, from time to time, and to alter the subscription fees payable in terms of this constitution as it deems fit, due regard being had to the rate of inflation and the requirements of the Association;
- 10.11 To impose special levies upon the members of the PAA from time to time should it be in the interest of promoting the objects of the PAA;
- 10.12 To instruct attorneys and/or advocates to provide legal opinions or institute action and/or motion and/or review applications and defend in any litigation;
- 10.13 To co-opt members of any Association to the Executive of the Association for purposes of supervising a particular portfolio; and
- 10.14 The Chairperson, alternatively the Vice-Chairperson if the Chairperson is not available, is bestowed with the authority to appoint an arbitrator or mediator when so requested by members, legal practitioners or institutions.

11. **MEETINGS OF MEMBERS AND THE EXECUTIVE:**

- 11.1. Unless otherwise decided by the Executive, there shall be held monthly meetings of the Executive of the PAA of which at least 7 (seven) days' notice shall be given. The Executive shall have full power and authority at any time to call special meetings of the members of the PAA, of which at least 7 (seven) days' notice shall be given;
- 11.2. An AGM shall be held not later than the 31st October in each and every year, at which –
 - 11.2.1 The election of the Executive shall take place; and
 - 11.2.2 The report of the Executive, together with the independently reviewed financial statements shall be presented;
- 11.3. Notice convening the AGM shall be given to members not less than 14 (fourteen) days before such meeting;
- 11.4. When requested by not less than 10 (ten) members, the Executive shall convene an SGM to consider the matters desired by the requisition, which meeting shall be held upon not less than 7 (seven) days' notice being given to members, and shall state the purpose of the meeting, and such SGM shall be held within 20 (twenty) days from the date of requisition;
- 11.5. A quorum of members shall not be less than 10 (ten) members personally present. Should there be no quorum present at any AGM or SGM, the meeting shall be dissolved;
- 11.6. Associate Members shall be entitled to attend all meetings of members as observers, but shall be obliged to retire therefrom when called upon to do so by the Chairperson;
- 11.7. All notices referred to in this paragraph shall be sent in writing via electronic mail;

- 11.8. If and when an urgent matter necessitates, decisions that could be taken at a meeting can instead be adopted by the written consent of the majority of the Executive, or by electronic communication, provided that every Executive Member must be given notice of a matter to be decided by way of round robin and not only a majority and that in the case of electronic communication every member of the Executive is able to participate electronically.

12. **DEFAULTERS:**

Any member whose subscription is in arrears for a period of 6 (six) months and who shall not thereafter pay such subscription within 14 (fourteen) days of a written request for payment being served upon him/her may be removed from the list of members by the Executive.

13. **RESIGNATION:**

Any member desiring to resign from the Association may do so in writing to the Secretary of the PAA, but such person shall remain liable for any subscription fee, or subscription fees which fell due prior to the date of such resignation.

14. **VOTING:**

- 14.1. Every member of the Association, not being a candidate attorney, present at a meeting and not in arrears with his/hersubscriptions, shall have one vote on a show of hands. No voting by proxy shall be permitted. In the event of an equality of votes at any meeting, including an AGM, a SGM, a meeting of the Executive, or a meeting of any sub-Executive, the Chairperson shall have a casting vote, as well as a deliberative vote. In completing the voting paper for

the election of the members of the Executive, a member entitled to vote, shall vote for not less than 4 (four) and not more than 14 (fourteen) of the candidates proposed for election. If a completed voting paper does not comply with the requirements of this Clause, it shall be disregarded.

- 14.2. The majority of members present in person at any meeting may demand that voting be by secret ballot.

15. **BODY CORPORATE:**

The Association is a body corporate, shall have perpetual succession, shall own all its property in its own name as distinct from its Executive and its members, may sue or be sued in any competent Court of Law and shall not carry on any business that does not promote its activities or objects.

16. **AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION:**

The Constitution may be amended, or altered at any AGM, or SGM specifically called for such purpose. Any such amendments, alterations, or additions must be approved by a two-thirds majority of the members present at such meeting. No proposed amendment, alteration, or addition shall be considered at any such meeting, unless the proposed amendment, alteration, or addition has been notified to members in writing not less than 14 (fourteen) days before the date of the meeting.

17. **LIABILITY:**

- 17.1 Should it be found that any Executive Member has acted mala fide or was vexatious to such an extent that the Association had suffered damages, the Executive shall have the right to decide whether said Executive Member will be held responsible for the said damages;

- 17.2 The liability of a member for the obligations of the Association shall be limited to the amount of his/her unpaid subscriptions. The Association is an association not for gain, the assets and liabilities of which are separate from its members and in respect of which no member shall ever obtain an interest.

18. **INTERPRETATION OF CONSTITUTION**

If there is any doubt as to the meaning or interpretation of this Constitution, and any rules or codes framed thereunder, the Executive shall be the arbiter, and its decision shall be binding upon the members of the Association, subject to review by a Senior Attorney (of at least 25 years in practice) and appointed by MANCO.

THIS CONSTITUTION IS ACCEPTED AT THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATION HELD AT PRETORIA ON THIS 22RD DAY OF OCTOBER 2026.

WITNESSES:

1. _____

CHAIRPERSON

2. _____

VICE CHAIRPERSON

SECRETARY

- Code of conduct and Transformation Charter are listed as separate Annexures on the website and do not form part of the Constitution