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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE AND CONSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT

NOTICE 2556 OF 2024

INVITATION TO SUBMIT COMMENTS ON THE PROPOSED RATIONALISATION OF THE JUDICIAL ESTABLISHMENTS OF THE DIVISIONS OF THE HIGH COURT OF SOUTH AFRICA

The Constitution of the Republic of South Africa, 1996, enjoins me, as Minister of Justice and Correctional Services, to manage the rationalisation of all courts, with a view to establishing a court system suited to the requirements of the Constitution (Item 16 (6) of Schedule 6 to the Constitution). The rationalisation of the areas under jurisdiction and the judicial establishments of the Divisions of the High Court, is part of this exercise.

In accordance with this constitutional imperative, I, in my capacity as Minister of Justice and Correctional Services, appointed a Committee on the Rationalisation of the Areas under the Jurisdiction and Judicial Establishments of the Divisions of the High Court of South Africa, chaired by the retired Deputy Chief Justice of the Republic of South Africa, Honourable Dikgang MOSENEKE, assisted by, Madam Judge Jeanette TRAVERSO (retired Deputy Judge President of the Western Cape Division of the High Court), Dr Silas RAMAITE (retired Deputy National Director of Public Prosecutions) and Ms Renuka SUBBAN (retired Chief Magistrate of Verulam Magistrate's Court, KwaZulu-Natal) as additional members.

The Committee has compiled an interim report on the **Second Phase** of the rationalisation process, which entails the Rationalisation of the Judicial Establishments of the Divisions and Local Seats of the Divisions of the High Court and was presented to me by the Chairperson of the Committee, Justice Dikgang Moseneke on 7 June 2024, in preparation for publication in the *Government Gazette* for general comments. Members of public are therefore invited to submit comments on the interim report which can be accessed from the Department of Justice and Constitutional Development website at: https//www.justice.gov.za.

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