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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE AND CONSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT

NO. 8052 **16 October 2026**

28/9/2026

IN THE HIGH COURT OF SOUTH AFRICA

(GAUTENG DIVISION, PRETORIA)

Case No: 189145/2026

BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUSTICE NEUKIRCHER ADJP
ON 28 SEPTEMBER 2026
IN CHAMBERS VIA REMOTE HEARING

In the matter between:

REGISTRAR OF THE HIGH COURT OF SOUTH AFRICA GAUTENG DIVISION, PRETORIA
Private Bag X67, Pretoria 0001
2026 -09- 29
REGISTRAR OF THE HIGH COURT OF SOUTH AFRICA GAUTENG DIVISION, PRETORIA

MADIBENG ATTORNEYS' ASSOCIATION	Applicant
and	
MINISTER OF JUSTICE AND CONSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT	First Respondent
SECRETARY GENERAL: OFFICE OF THE CHIEF JUSTICE	Second Respondent
JUDICIAL SERVICE COMMISSION	Third Respondent
LEGAL PRACTICE COUNCIL	Fourth Respondent

COURT ORDER

BY AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE PARTIES

IT IS ORDERED

1. The First Respondent's determination in paragraph 1(d) and the Schedule to Government Notice 7648, published in Government Gazette 54935 on 2 July 2026, is reviewed, declared invalid and set aside only insofar as it excludes

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Madibeng (Brits) from the Gauteng Division, and includes it in the North West Division.

2. Madibeng (Brits) shall revert to, and fall within, the area of jurisdiction of the Gauteng Division.

3. Proceedings relating to Madibeng, instituted in the North West Division, Mahikeng after publication of GN 7648 on 2 July 2026 up to the date of this order, including all process, orders and procedural steps in those proceedings, may be removed and transferred to the Gauteng Division on application by any party affected thereby at their discretion, under section 27 of the Superior Courts Act 10 of 2013.

4. The First Respondent shall pay the Applicant's costs, including the costs reserved on 1 September 2026 on Scale B, such costs to include the cost of two counsel.

5. The First Respondent shall publish, or cause to be published, in the Government Gazette this court order, within 30 (thirty) days of its issue and cause a copy thereof to be sent to the Fourth Respondent (Legal Practice Council) for circulation to legal practitioners and members of the public.

6. Publication of the order shall not affect the operation of this order, which shall be of immediate effect.

REGISTRAR OF THE HIGH COURT OF SOUTH AFRICA
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Private Bag X67, Pretoria 0001
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REGISTRAR OF THE HIGH COURT OF SOUTH AFRICA
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By order

The Registrar

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