

## National Bar Examination Board


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### Pupils against the GCB

ON 21 February 1998 Eloff JP gave judgment in the matter of *Matime v General Council of the Bar and Two Others* (unreported, WLD case no 30282/97). In that case a pupil sought to review a decision by the National Bar Examination Board to fail him in criminal procedure in the oral examination. The pupil joined

Joffe (who was the Judge Moderator) and Du Plessis (who as member of the Johannesburg Bar was the criminal oral examiner) as parties. Eloff JP held that their joinder was ill-founded. On the merits, the court dismissed the application on several grounds. These were that the decision to fail the pupil was not reviewable; that on

the facts no cause of action had been established; and that the delay of one year in bringing the application was fatal.

This case and also *Mkwentla v The General Council of the Bar of South Africa* (unreported, WLD case no 02253/95) will be reviewed in the next issue of *Consultus*. 

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