

## Noord-Kaap

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### Regbank

Regter-President Kriek het die onvermydelike so lank as moontlik uitgestel, maar uiteindelik tog aan die einde van Oktober 1999 afgetree. By lede van die Vereniging was "Ou Judge" 'n geliefde en gerespekteerde regter en regter-president. Tydens 'n baie genotvolle funksie het die Vereniging op informele wyse van hom afskeid geneem.

Regter Steenkamp is die nuwe regter-president van dié Afdeling. Hy is op 3 Desember 1999 tydens 'n luisterryke geleentheid, waar appèlregter P Olivier en regter-president E Lichtenberg ook aanwesig was, ingehuldig. Die Vereniging as sodanig het tydens sy jaarlikse dinee regter Steenkamp verwelkom as die nuwe regter-president.

### Waarnemende aanstellings

Gedurende die laaste termyn van 1999 het Basson R (reeds afgetree) en WH Olivier SC waargeneem as regters in die Noord-Kaap.

### Lede

Gedurende die afgelope tyd het Van Vuuren en Erasmus die Vereniging finaal, so wil dit lyk, verlaat. Daar is met groot spyt van beide afskeid geneem.

Die Kaapse Wetsgenootskap het Bester (wat steeds deel is en bly van die Balie) aangewys as die beste student tydens die eksamens van Augustus 1999.

## Cape Town

*Contributed by Sean Rosenberg, Cape Town*

### Acting appointments

Since the last issue appeared, the

following members of the Cape Bar held acting appointments in the Cape Provincial Division: P Hodes SC, E Steyn SC, N Erasmus and D Jacobs.

### New silks

The following took silk in September 1999: JG Dickerson SC, OL Rogers SC and E Steyn SC.

### Pupils and new members

There were 28 pupils in the second intake of 1999, and the following members joined the Bar upon the successful completion of their pupillage: P Arendse, C Bischhoff, TE Bluff, MP Braude, PJ Burgers, AA da Silva Moreira, B David, JP du Toit, PS du Toit, P Engelbrecht, EL Grobler, D Hutchison, R Jacobs, M Lizani, JJ Meiring, R Paschke, M Salie, MC Solomon, SL van der Walt and SG Walther.

### Resignations

Since August 1999 the following members have resigned: SW Burger, MLC Chin, W Fisher, FA Lange, R le Roux, ST Ryke, M Soltynski and LJ van Tonder.

There are at present 335 members at the Cape Bar.

### The press

In an endeavour to contribute towards removing any problems in connection with newspaper coverage of legal proceedings, a number of well-attended seminars have been arranged and conducted for reporters by TD Potgieter, Butler and Sholto-Douglas.

## Johannesburg

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### Aaron Mendelow QC

On 6 November 1999 Aaron Mendelow QC, presently the oldest and most senior member of

the Johannesburg Bar, celebrated his 90th birthday. In celebration of his birthday, the Johannesburg Bar held a birthday party for Mendelow QC on 9 November 1999 in the Bar's Common Room.

The party was attended by various members of Mendelow QC's family; retired and active judges and members of the Johannesburg Bar. The then chair of the Johannesburg Bar Council, Roland Sutherland SC, presented Mendelow QC with an illuminated address on behalf of the Johannesburg Bar.

### 1999-2000 Bar Council

The members of the 1999-2000 Bar Council are N Cassim SC (chair), WHG van der Linde SC (vice-chair), M Brassey SC, H Epstein SC, AP Joubert SC, CDA Loxton SC, PJ Pretorius SC, Ms S Weiner SC, T Bruinders, Ms H Constantinides, Ms F Dippenaar, C Lamont, GM Malindi, D Mpofu, P Pauw and Ms M Victor.

The honorary secretaries are P Mtshaulana and Ms F Kathree, and the administrative officer is Ms I Mundell.

### New silks

The following eight members of the Johannesburg Bar have been conferred silk by the President in 1999: S Joseph SC, K Foulkes-Jones SC, O Cook SC, W Vermeulen SC, F Odendaal SC, H van der Riet SC, G Pretorius SC and A Subel SC. See "New silks" on p 16 of this issue.

### Briefs from Natal Law Society attorneys

At a meeting of the Johannesburg Bar Council on 26 October 1999, it was resolved that all members of the Johannesburg Bar be informed as follows:

"Every member of the Johannesburg Bar, when receiving a brief from any attorney, shall do so only on the basis of the long standing custom and practice that the attorney is per-



*At the 90th birthday party held by the Johannesburg Bar for Aaron Mendelow QC, from left to right: Aaron Mendelow QC, Roland Sutherland SC, chair of the Johannesburg Bar 1998-99, and Judge Cecil Margo.*