

Northern Cape

By Lizanne van Niekerk

Acting appointments

Two of our members, Jaqui Henriques and Chris Botha, held acting appointments as judges during the past months.

New members

Alme Stanton joined the Northern Cape Bar in January 2011. She served articles of clerkship and practised as an attorney from 1999-2005. She was admitted as an advocate and completed pupillage at the Bloemfontein Bar in 2010.

Pupils

Two new pupils, Jean-Carla Cilliers and Chwaro Kgotlagomang, will be commencing their pupillage in 2011.

Bar dinner

The annual Bar dinner was held at the Kimberley Club on 19 November 2010.



At the dinner from left to right. Front: Acting Judge J Henriques, Judge CC Williams, Judge HJ Lacock, Judge SA Majiedt, Judge CJ Olivier, Acting Judge MV Phatshoane. Back: D Khokho, AD Olivier, SL Erasmus, WJ Coetzee, JG van Niekerk SC, CH Botha, JJ Schreuder, AG van Tonder, L van Niekerk.

Farewell: Judge Majiedt

On 21 January 2011 the Northern Cape Bar hosted a function at the Kimberley Club to bid Judge S A Majiedt farewell. Judge Majiedt, a former member of the Northern Cape Bar, was appointed as Judge of the Supreme Court of Appeal with effect from 1 December 2010.



Justice Stephen Majiedt

Appointment as SCA Judge


Justice Stephen Majiedt was born in Kenhardt, Northern Cape Province, and matriculated in 1978 at William Pescod Senior Secondary School, Kimberley. He studied at the University of the Western Cape where he obtained the degrees BA (Law) in 1981 and LLB in 1983. During 1984 he com-

menced his pupillage and became a member of the Cape Bar in June 1984, where he continued to practise until the end of 1993.

During the period 1996-1999, Justice Madjiet was employed as Chief Provincial State Law Advisor, Office of the Premier, Northern Cape. He practised at the Northern Cape Bar from January to March 2000. He took an acting appointment as judge in the then Northern Cape Division of the High Court of South Africa, Kimberley, on 1 March 2000. He was appointed on 1 May 2000 and served on the Bench of the Northern Cape Division until November 2010.

He served the community of Kimberley and was chairperson of the Board of Trustees of the William Humphreys Art Gallery, Kimberley, from 1999-2005. From 2007 until the present, Justice Majiedt was also the chairperson of the Board of Trustees, Africana Library Trust, Kimberley.

Justice Majiedt is an avid golfer and chaired the Management Committee of the Kimberley Golf Club from 2005 to 2009.

Judge Majiedt leaves the Bench of the Northern Cape Division much the richer for his consistently gracious, courteous and competent years of service. We wish him well in his new and esteemed position. 

North West

By John Stander

By popular request our annual Bar dinner was held at a well known steakhouse in Mahikeng during November 2010. Tired of 'designer food' we opted for something a bit more substantial (read 'steak') – and we were not disappointed. Also by popular request, the function was much less formal than in the past – not a tuxedo in sight.

So, good food, good wine and quality speeches in an informal atmosphere were enjoyed by all.

Nadia Gutta, a member of this Bar since 2000, has accepted an appointment to the Bench. She was appointed to the North West High Court with effect from 1 November 2010. A short personal profile will appear in the next edition of Advocate.

Morongwe Moagi, who completed her pupillage at the Johannesburg Bar last year, joined us in January.

Five pupils commenced their pupillage here in January. As required, I record that two are white females, two are black males and one is a white male. 