



2024 LEGAL SERVICES





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I run a general practice and I specialise in environmental, water, climate change, biodiversity, mining, procurement, intellectual property & commercial law. I completed a BCom Law and LLB and furthered my studies with a Masters in Environmental law. I have several qualifications from South Africa and Switzerland in mining, construction, arbitration, mediation and intellectual property law.





INTRODUCTION

I am an admitted Advocate and a member of the Johannesburg Bar. I have a very busy practice at Maisels and I work on brief from attorneys. I specialise in litigation, opinion work and I am also a qualified arbitrator, mediator and construction adjudicator.

I am highly specialised in environmental, water, climate change, biodiversity, mining, infrastructure procurement, intellectual property & commercial law.

I have also worked on environmental and occupational health and safety audits, research projects and government submissions for legislation reform.

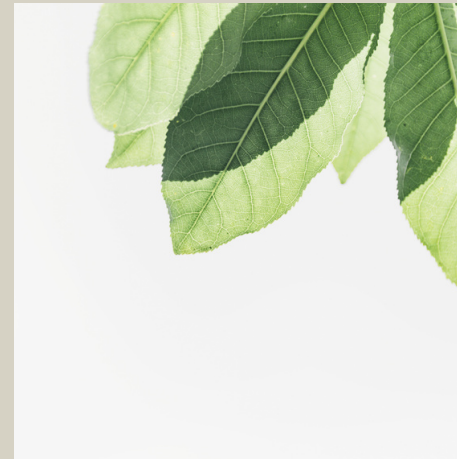
A SNAPSHOT OF SPECIALIST LITIGATION AREAS



Environmental law is a vast field and includes aspects pertaining to environmental assessments, climate change, green crime, directives and fines, water disputes, property disputes, waste and noise related disputes. Environmental law is intricately linked to service delivery, especially at a municipal level.



Biodiversity law is becoming increasingly important as we see a massive loss of critical biodiversity. This field of law includes aspects pertaining to animal related permits and transport, animal disease control, poaching and welfare, the rights if any for the natural environment.



Intellectual property law is the realm of law that relates to the establishment and protection of intellectual creations such as inventions, designs, brands, artwork, writing, and music. This is a very important area of the law since the strong oversight of IP law garners and fosters creativity.



Construction and procurement law is a field that deals with the complicated and risk dense field of the built environment. This includes the tender process, which is always vulnerable to corruption and irregularity. It also includes construction disputes including contractual disputes which require adjudication and arbitration.

2024 - IDENTIFIED LEGAL ISSUES THAT ARE BECOMING PREVALENT



CLIMATE CHANGE SUBMISSIONS

With the implementation of carbon tax, more commercial entities, foundries and factories are approaching specialist legal minds to assist them to navigate their way forward with submissions to African governments pertaining to carbon tax.

REVIEWS OF ENVIRONMENTAL FINES

As the economy hits “crunch”, more commercial entities and individuals are cutting corners in terms of environmental assessment and compliance. This can open you up to administrative fines and interdict procedures.

MEDIATION FOR COMMERCIAL MATTERS

The benefits of mediation are being take up by commercial enterprises. The benefits include significant cost saving compared to litigation, confidentiality and relationship building. If you want to preserve relationships, mediation is a process to seriously contemplate.

WASTE AND NOISE RELATED TO SERVICE DELIVERY

The most immediate form of government is local government. Many African municipalities are technically bankrupt and eroded by corruption and inefficiency. Communities are increasingly battling with stormwater management, waste removal, sewer collapse and road collapse.

MEDIATION FOR FAMILY MATTERS

Most families can no longer afford the high costs of litigation. Likewise, Section 6 of the Children’s Act mandates a constructive and “problem solving” approach in this field. Mediation can be an effective, powerful and constructive answer to issues. Creatively, the process can also be espoused to trauma counselling methods.

PROCUREMENT DISPUTES

With the establishment of the SIU, construction procurement disputes have become increasingly common. Construction firms are experiencing considerable pressure from a cash flow perspective and rely on the aptitude and efficiency of State departments insofar as procurement is concerned.

STUDENT ASSISTANCE

mentorship opportunities

SABWIL offers Tertiary University Students the opportunity to participate in mentorship projects, moot courts and educational programs. I have been a founding director of this project.

SABWIL

I have had 4 pupils thus far at the Bar. Generally, potential pupils contact me with an interest in undertaking a pupillage. I would suggest that before you embark on this path, you are appraised of the difficulties, pros and cons.

PUPILLAGE



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