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INVITATION FOR GAUTENG LEGAL PRACTITIONERS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE NATIONAL WILLS WEEK FROM THE 14-18 SEPTEMBER 2026 IN THE JOINT COLLABORATION BETWEEN THE LEGAL PRACTICE COUNCIL GAUTENG PROVINCIAL OFFICE, DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE AND CONSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT, THE MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT PRETORIA AND COMMUNITY ADVICE OFFICES OF SOUTH AFRICA

The Legal Practice Council (LPC), Gauteng Provincial Office, hereby invites Gauteng legal practitioners to participate in the National Wills Week, which will take place from 14 to 18 September 2026.

The LPC Gauteng Provincial Office has partnered with the Department of Justice and Constitutional Development and Community Advice Offices of South Africa in support of this important public outreach initiative. The initiative seeks to assist members of the public by providing free legal advice relating to deceased estates and the drafting of wills.

Since its inception in 2022, this access to justice programme has grown significantly and continues to provide valuable assistance to communities across Gauteng. Legal practitioners are invited to volunteer their services at any of the following venues:

- The Office of the Master of the High Court, Pretoria (Metropark Building)
- Pretoria High Court Pro Bono Helpdesk; or
- Johannesburg High Court Pro Bono Helpdesk.

Legal Practitioners who elect not to travel to the above venues may participate by consulting with members of the public and drafting wills from their own offices. Legal practitioners who wish to participate are requested to indicate how they would like to contribute and on which day they are available by completing the attached participation form.

Completed forms should be submitted as follows:

Pretoria Helpdesk or own offices based in and around Pretoria:

- Ms Ivy Kgare: ivyk@lpc.org.za
- Ms Refiloe Rabothata: refiloer@lpc.org.za

Johannesburg Helpdesk or own offices based in and around Johannesburg:

- Mr Ricardo Manyike: OwenM@lpc.org.za
- Ms Karabo Matome: karabom@lpc.org.za

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- Ms Neo Chokoe: ramadimetja@lpc.org.za
- Ms Euginia Sithole and Ms Kgothatso Matjane: probono@lpc.org.za

In addition, the Department of Justice and Constitutional Development will host a community outreach programme on 15 September 2026 at the Momentum Building, Pretoria during which legal practitioners will assist members of the public with the drafting of wills. Practitioners who wish to participate in this outreach programme may register their names with Ms Pricilla Matsapola at PMatsapola@justice.gov.za. A formal invitation from the Department of Justice will be circulated in due course.

The Legal Practice Council extends its sincere appreciation to all legal practitioners for their continued commitment to ensuring that access to justice becomes a lived reality for indigent members of our communities.

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