

New judges – High Court –

Cape Provincial Division

Judge President Edwin King

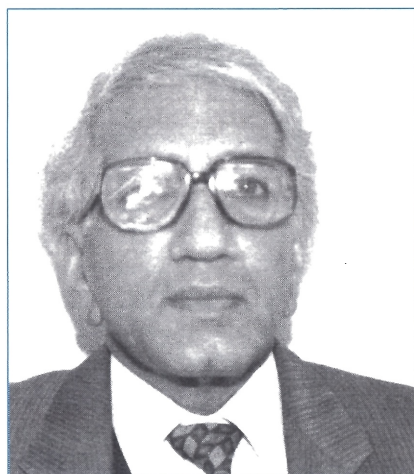
Edwin Leslie King has been appointed as Judge President of the Cape Provincial Division from 1 November 1998. He was appointed as Deputy Judge President in August 1997. A note on his career was published in 1997 November *Consultus* 97.



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Judge Abdulla Motala

Abdulla Mahomed Motala has been appointed as a judge of the Cape Provincial Division from 1 November 1998.



Judge Abdulla Motala

Born 15.11.1939, Durban. St Anthony's Primary School. Matriculated Sultan Technical College, Durban 1957. BA (1960) LLB (1962) UCT; LLM (1965) London. Admitted as an advocate 1963 and practised at Durban Bar 1963-1964 and, after a spell in family business, since 1968 at Cape Bar. Acting judge in Cape and Free State in 1995 and 1997 respectively.

Hobbies: reading, gardening and music. Married to Juraida with two children.

Northern Cape Provincial Division

Judge Frans Kgomo

Frans Diale Kgomo has been appointed as a judge of the Northern Cape Provincial Division from 1 November 1998.



Judge Frans Kgomo

Born 17.09.1947, Brits. Maruatona Primary School, Wonderkop, Brits. Matriculated Bafokeng High School, Rustenburg 1968. Dipl Iuris (1973) Dipl Legum (1977) University of Zululand; LLB (1985) University of the West (UNIBO). Admitted as an advocate 1986 and practised at North West

Bar 1986-1998; chairman North West Bar Council 1997/98. Acting judge 1998. Before joining Bar worked as court interpreter, prosecutor, magistrate and regional magistrate (1982-1986).

Interested in sport: soccer, rugby, cricket; plays tennis and pool. Married to Florence Tselane Jenny with five children.

Natal Provincial Division

Deputy Judge President Vuka Tshabalala

Vuka Eliakim Maswazi Tshabalala has been appointed as Deputy Judge President of the Natal Provincial Division from 1 February 1999. A note on Judge Tshabalala's career was published in 1995 November *Consultus* 111.

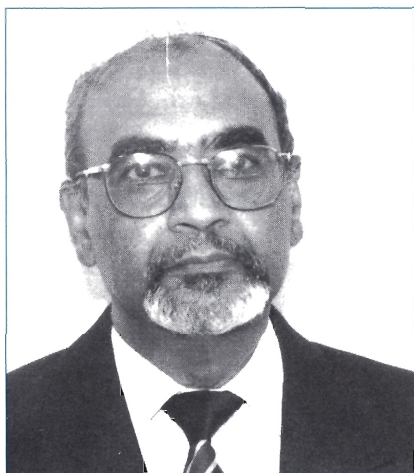
Since his appointment as a judge of the Ciskei High Court in March 1995 the degree of LL.D (honoris causa) was awarded to him by the University of Zululand in 1997. He was also appointed as a member of the Special Electoral Court and of the Judicial Remuneration Committee in 1997.



Deputy Judge President
Vuka Tshabalala

Judge Thumba Pillay

Barathanathan Pillay has been appointed as a judge of the Natal Provincial Division from 1 November 1998.



Judge Thumba Pillay

Born 04.04.1936, Durban. Clairwood Primary School. Matriculated Sastri College 1954. BA (1959) LLB (1962) University of Natal. Admitted as an attorney 1963; conveyancer 1974; practised as attorney in Durban 1963-1998. Acting judge Venda (August 1997) and Natal (April-June 1998). Member of Special Electoral Court 1997. Was politically active in Natal Indian Congress, United Democratic Fund and ANC 1958-1994. Founder member of Democratic Lawyers' Association (now NADEL).

Played league cricket; now plays golf and was also founder member of Natal's non-racial golf council. Married to Sabita Devi Singh with three children

Transvaal Provincial Division

Judge President Bernard Ngoepe

Bernard Makgabo Ngoepe has been appointed as Judge President of the Transvaal Provincial Division from 1 January 1999.

He was appointed as a judge in July 1995 and a note on his career was published in 1995 November *Consultus* 113.

Second black woman appointed as a judge

Judge Thokozile Masipa

Thokozile Matilda Masipa has been appointed as a judge of the Transvaal Provincial Division from 1



Judge Thokozile Masipa

December 1998. She is the second black woman to be appointed to the Bench.

Born 16.10.1947, Orlando East. St John Berchman Primary School, Orlando East and St Theresa School, Manzini, Swaziland. Matriculated Immaculata High School, Alexandra Township 1966. BA (Social Work) (1974) LLB (1990) UNISA. Admitted as an advocate in 1991 and practised at Johannesburg Bar 1991-1998. Social worker and journalist before reading law. Member of BLA; part-time CCMA commissioner. Interested in rehabilitation of offenders and in the co-operation between professions.

Hobbies include dancing, gardening and yoga. Married to Makhutla Wilson Masipa with one son.

Regter Johan van der Westhuizen

Johan van der Westhuizen is met ingang 1 Januarie 1999 aangestel as



Judge President Bernard Ngoepe

Since his appointment to the Bench and Supreme Court of Appeal he served for a term in the Constitutional Court, as chairman of the Defence Force's Council of Review for Capital Offences and the Council of Review for Serious Offences, and as a member of the Amnesty Committee.

'n regter van die Transvaalse Provinsiale Afdeling. Regter Van der Westhuizen se curriculum vitae sal geplaas word sodra dit ontvang word.

Judge Nigel Willis

Nigel Paul Willis has been appointed as a judge of the Transvaal Provincial Division from 10 November 1998. Judge Willis's curriculum vitae was published in 1998 May *Consultus* 18 at the time when he took silk as a member of the Johannesburg Bar.



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