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ABRIDGED CURRICULUM VITAE

1. I matriculated at St Johns College, Johannesburg in 1978.
2. I completed the Bachelor of Arts degree at the University of the Witwatersrand in 1982.
3. I completed the Bachelor of Laws degree at the University of the Witwatersrand in 1985.
4. I undertook and completed two years of articles of clerkship (1988-1989)
5. I passed the attorneys admission examinations in August 1989.
6. I was admitted as an attorney of the (then) Transvaal Provincial Division on 13 February 1990.
7. I applied for the removal of my name at my own request from the roll of attorneys on 27 February 1990.
8. I commenced pupillage at the Johannesburg Bar on 1 March 1990.
9. I was admitted as an advocate of the High Court on 24 April 1990.
10. I successfully completed pupillage, passed the GCB examinations and on 2 July 1990, I joined the Witwatersrand Society of Advocates, (now known as the Johannesburg Society of Advocates).

11. I have practiced continuously as an advocate since that date.
 12. I was recommended for the conferment of silk in May 2013, and my letters patent were signed by the President in October 2014.
 13. I acted as a judge of the High Court Gauteng Local Division during November 2014.
 14. In 2017 I served as deputy group leader of the Bridge Group of Advocates and its financial director. All in all I served on the executive committee of the Bridge Group for eight years
 15. I continue to practice as a Senior Counsel and I am registered with the Legal Practice Council, with membership number 101 968.
 16. In 2020 I successfully completed the accelerated arbitration course for attorneys and advocates offered by the Association of Arbitrators South Africa (AoA) (modules 2 and 4) and am a Fellow of the AoA, having been one continuously since 2020.
 17. In July 2021 I successfully completed a five-day (40 hour) course under the auspices of the AoA, and the Society of Mediators (UK) and I am an accredited mediator.
 18. In 2022 I successfully completed the Specialisation in Construction Law course offered by the Association of Arbitrators.
 19. In June 2025 I sat as an acting judge in the unopposed motion court in the Gauteng Johannesburg High Court, (as part of the "Big-Bang" initiative, aimed at clearing the backlog in the unopposed motion roll).
 20. I am presently a member of the management committee of the AoA.
 21. I presently serve a tutor and marker in the award writing section of the Module 4 course offered by the AoA.
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22. I have presided in various commercial arbitrations, adjudications and mediations.
23. I have a varied legal practice, handling matters involving:
 - 23.1. Contractual disputes;
 - 23.2. Construction disputes
 - 23.3. Unlawful competition and restraints of trade;
 - 23.4. Insolvency and winding up of companies;
 - 23.5. Business rescue;
 - 23.6. Company Law and Shareholder disputes;
 - 23.7. Mining law;
 - 23.8. Commercial arbitrations and mediations;
 - 23.9. Construction law arbitrations and adjudications;
 - 23.10. Medical schemes and medical scheme administrators;
 - 23.11. Procurement disputes, and contracts involving organs of state;
 - 23.12. Trusts and disputes between beneficiaries and trustees;
 - 23.13. Administrative reviews.
24. I have been practising for a continuous period of not less than 5 years (37 years).
25. I am a member in good standing with the Legal Practices Council.
26. I am not subject to any interdict, suspension or striking off proceedings.

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20 July 2025
