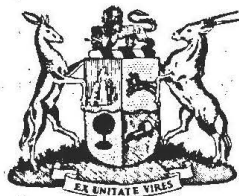


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Hierby word bekend gemaak dat die Staatspresident sy goedkeuring gegee het aan die onderstaande Wet wat hierby ter algemene inligting gepubliseer word:—

It is hereby notified that the State President has assented to the following Act which is hereby published for general information:—

No. 56 van 1984: Wysigingswet op Landdroshowe, 1984.

No. 56 of 1984: Magistrates' Courts Amendment Act, 1984.

## MAGISTRATES' COURTS AMENDMENT ACT, 1984

Act No. 56, 1984

## GENERAL EXPLANATORY NOTE:

[ ] Words in bold type in square brackets indicate omissions from existing enactments.

\_\_\_\_\_ Words underlined with solid line indicate insertions in existing enactments.

## ACT

To amend the Magistrates' Courts Act, 1944, so as to increase the civil jurisdiction of magistrates' courts in respect of causes of action; and to provide for matters connected therewith.

(Afrikaans text signed by the State President.)  
(Assented to 10 April 1984.)

**BE IT ENACTED** by the State President and the House of Assembly of the Republic of South Africa, as follows:—

1. Section 29 of the Magistrates' Courts Act, 1944 (hereinafter called the principal Act), is hereby amended—

5 (a) by the substitution for paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of the following paragraph:

“(a) actions in which is claimed the delivery or transfer of any property, movable or immovable; not exceeding **[one thousand five hundred rand] R5 000** in value;”;

10 (b) by the substitution for the proviso to paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of the following proviso:

“Provided that, where the right of occupation of any such premises or land is in dispute between the parties, such right does not exceed **[one thousand five hundred rand] R5 000** in clear value to the occupier;”;

15 (c) by the substitution for paragraph (d) of subsection (1) of the following paragraph:

“(d) actions on or arising out of a liquid document or a mortgage bond, where the claim does not exceed **[three thousand rand] R10 000**;”;

20 (d) by the substitution for paragraph (e) of subsection (1) of the following paragraph:

“(e) actions on or arising out of any credit agreement as defined in section **[1 (1) of the Hire-Purchase Act, 1942 (Act No. 36 of 1942)] 1** of the Credit Agreements Act, 1980 (Act No. 75 of 1980), where the claim or the value of the property in dispute does not exceed **[three thousand rand] R10 000**;”;

30 (e) by the substitution for paragraph (f) of subsection (1) of the following paragraph:

“(f) actions other than those already mentioned in this section, where the claim or the value of the matter in dispute does not exceed **[one thousand five hundred rand] R5 000**.”.

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Amendment of section 29 of Act 32 of 1944, as substituted by section 27 of Act 94 of 1974.

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2. Section 46 of the principal Act is hereby amended by the substitution for paragraph (c) of subsection (2) of the following paragraph:

- 5       “(c) in which is sought specific performance without an alternative of payment of damages, except in—
- 10       (i) the rendering of an account in respect of which the claim does not exceed **[one thousand five hundred rand] R5 000**;
- 15       (ii) the delivery or transfer of property, movable or immovable, not exceeding **[one thousand five hundred rand] R5 000** in value; and
- (iii) the delivery or transfer of property, movable or immovable, exceeding **[one thousand five hundred rand] R5 000** in value, where the consent of the parties has been obtained in terms of section 45;”.

Amendment of section 46 of Act 32 of 1944, as amended by section 5 of Act 19 of 1963 and section 28 of Act 94 of 1974.

3. This Act shall be called the Magistrates' Courts Amendment Act, 1984. Short title.