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### DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE AND CONSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT

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# INVITATION TO SUBMIT COMMENTS ON THE PROPOSED RATIONALISATION OF MAGISTERIAL DISTRICTS FOR THE LIMPOPO AND MPUMALANGA PROVINCES

The Constitution of the Republic of South Africa, 1996 enjoins the Minister of Justice and Correctional Services to manage the rationalisation of all courts with a view to establishing a court system suited to the requirements of the Constitution (Item 16 (6) to the Constitution). The rationalisation of magisterial districts is part of this exercise. In accordance with this constitutional imperative, the Minister of Justice and Correctional Services, Adv. Michael Masutha, intends to rationalise magisterial districts in the Republic in order to align the territorial jurisdictions of all courts with the Constitution, thereby correcting the legacy of the old districts which are based on the defunct independent, self-governing states and Old RSA territories. The rationalisation process is undertaken gradually and commenced with Gauteng and North West provinces which were implemented with effect from 1 December 2014 followed by the Limpopo and Mpumalanga provinces.

Comments are invited on the proposed changes to the magisterial districts indicated in the Schedule below with regard to the Provinces of Limpopo and Mpumalanga. (Proposed changes to the magisterial districts in respect the outstanding Provinces will be published at a later stage).

### **LIMPOPO PROVINCE**

Municipality	Current Magisterial district	Proposed magisterial district	Places of sitting of a court and periodical courts
Ba-Phalaborwa	Phalaborwa	Ba- Phalaborwa	Phalaborwa (Main Seat)
	Namakgale		Namakgale (Sub-district)
	Lulekani		Lulekani (Sub-district)
			Gravelotte (periodical court)
			Letaba Rest Camp (periodical
			court)
Bela-Bela	Warmbath	Bela-Bela	Bela-Bela (Main Seat)
			Rust de Winter (place of sitting)
			Mantsole Traffic Control Centre
			(periodical court)

Current Magisterial district	Proposed magisterial district	Places of sitting of a court and periodical courts
Bochum	Blouberg	Senwabarwana (Main Seat)
		All days (place of sitting)
		Ga-Malebogo (periodical court)
		Tolwe (periodical court)
Groblersdal	Groblersdal	Groblersdasl (Main Seat)
Moutse		Moutse (Sub-district)
		Zaaiplaas (place of sitting)
		Motetema (periodical court)
		Roosenekal(periodical court)
Giyani	Giyani	Giyani (Main Seat)
		Dzumeri (periodical court)
Praktiseer	Tubatse	Praktiseer (Main Seat)
		Burgersfort (Sub-district)
		Macklenburg (periodical court)
		Leboeng (periodical court)
		Ohrigstad(periodical court)
Tzaneen	Tzanneen	Nkowakowa (Main Seat)
Ritavi		Lenyenye (Sub-district)
Naphuno		Tzaneen (Subdistrict)
		Hoedspruit (place of sitting)
		Haenesburg (periodical court)
		Letsitele (periodical court)
Lebowakgomo	Lepelle-Nkumpi	Lebowakgomo (Main Seat)
		Magatle (place of sitting)
		Malipsdrift (periodical court)
		Zebediela (periodical court)
Lephalale	Lephalale	Lephalale (Main seat)
Phalala		Phalala (Sub-district)
		Bulgrivier (Periodical Court)
		Tomburke (periodical court)
		Leseding (Steenbokpan)
		(periodical court)
		Ga-Shongwane (periodical court)
	Bochum  Groblersdal Moutse  Giyani  Praktiseer  Tzaneen Ritavi Naphuno  Lebowakgomo  Lephalale	Bochum  Blouberg  Groblersdal Moutse  Giyani  Giyani  Praktiseer  Tubatse  Tzaneen Ritavi Naphuno  Lebowakgomo  Lepelle-Nkumpi  Lephalale  Lephalale

Municipality	Current Magisterial district	Proposed magisterial district	Places of sitting of a court and periodical courts
Makhado	Dzanani	Makhado	Dzanani (Main seat)
	Hlanganani		Hlanganani (Sub-district)
	Louis Trichardt		Louis Trichardt (Sub-district)
	Tiyani		Tiyani (Sub-district)
	Tshilwavhusiku		Tshilwavhusiku (Sub-district)
	Tshitale		Tshitale (Sub-district)
	Vuwani		Vuwani (Sub-district)
			Bandelierkop (periodical court)
			Mara (periodical court)
			Waterpoort (periodical court)
			Levubu (periodical court)
Makhuduthamaga	Nebo	Makhuduthamaga	Nebo (Main seat)
Modimolle	Nylstroom	Modimolle	Modimolle (Main seat)
			Ranki's Pass (periodical court)
			Vaalwater (periodical court)
			Tuinplaas (periodical court)
			Dorset (periodical mcourt)
Mogalakwena	Mokopane	Mogalakwena	Mokerong (Main seat)
	Mokerong		Mokopane (Sub-district)
			Giliead (periodical courts)
			Tinmines (periodical court)
Molemole	Sekgosese	Molemole	Morebeng (Main seat)
			Ramokgopa (periodical court)
Mookgopong	Mookgopong	Mookgopong	Mookgopong (Main seat)
			Roedtan (periodical court)
Musina	Musina	Musina	Musina (Main seat)
			Musina Traffic Control Centre
			(periodical court)
Mutale	Mutale	Mutale	Mutale (Main seat)
			Ha-Makuya (periodical court)
Polokwane	Mankweng	Polokwane	Polokwane (Main Seat)
	Polokwane		Mankweng (Sub-district)
	Seshego		Seshego (Sub-district)
			Ga-Matlala (periodical court)

Municipality	Current Magisterial district	Proposed magisterial district	Places of sitting of a court and periodical courts
Thabazimbi	Thabazimbi	Thabazimbi	Thabazimbi (Main seat)
	Northam		Northam (Sub-district)
			Cumberland (periodical court)
			Dwaalboom (periodical court)
			Rooiberg (periodical court)
Thulamela	Malamulele	Thulamela	Thohoyandou (Main seat)
	Thohoyandou		Malamulele (Sub-district)
			Ha-Makuya (periodical court)
			Tshauli (periodical court)
			Tshikombane (periodical court)

### **MPUMALANGA PROVINCE**

Municipality	Current Magisterial District/s	Proposed Magisterial District	Places of sitting of a court
Chief Albert Luthuli	Carolina	Chief Albert Luthuli	Kabokweni (Main Seat)
	Eerstehoek		Carolina (Sub-district)
			Hazeyview (place of sitting)
			Kanyamazane (place of
			sitting)
			eManzana (periodical court)
			Ngodwana (periodical court)
Bushbuckridge	Mapulaneng	Bushbuckridge	Mapulaneng (Main Seat)
	Mhala		Mhala (Sub-district)
			Acornhoek (place of sitting)
			Mkhuhlu (place of sitting)
Dipaleseng	Balfour	Dipaleseng	Balfour (Main seat)
			Greylingstad (periodical court)
			Grootvlei (periodical court)
Dr JS Moroka	Mbibana	Dr JS Moroka	Mdutjana (Siyabuswa) (Main
	Mdutjana		seat)
			Mbibana (Sub-district)
			Marapyane (periodical court)

Municipality	Current Magisterial District/s	Proposed Magisterial District	Places of sitting of a court
Dr Pixley Ka Isaka	Amersfoort	Volksrust	Amersfoort (Main Seat)
Seme	Volksrust		Wakkerstroom (Sub-district)
	Wakkerstroom		Perdekop (periodical court).
Emalahleni	Witbank	Emalahleni	Witbank (Main seat)
	Kriel		Kriel (Sub-district)
			Vosman (Sub-district)
			Ogies (place of sitting)
Emakhazeni	Belfast	Emakhazeni	Belfast (Sub-district)
	Waterval Boven		Waterval Boven (Sub-district)
			Dullstroom (periodical court)
			eNtokozweni (periodical court)
Govan Mbeki	Bethal	Govan Mbeki	Evander (Main seat)
	Highveld Ridge		Bethal (Sub-district)
	(Evander)		Secunda (Sub-district)
	Secunda		Leslie (periodical court)
			Charl Cilliers (periodical court)
Lekwa	Standerton	Lekwa	Standerton (Main seat)
			Morgenson (periodical court)
			Val (periodical court)
Mbombela	Mbombela	Mbombela	Mbombela (Main seat)
	Nsikazi		Nsikazi (Sub-district)
	White River		White River (Sub-district)
			Kanyamazane (place of
			sitting)
			Masoyi (place of sitting)
			Hazyview (place of sitting)
			Matsulu (periodical court)
			Ngodwana (periodical court)
Mkhondo	Piet Retief	Mkhondo	Piet Retief (Main seat)
			Amsterdam (place of sitting)
			Dierkiesdorp (periodical court)
			Mahamba (periodical court)

Municipality	Current Magisterial district	Proposed magisterial district	Places of sitting of a court
Msukalingwa	Ermelo	Msukalingwa	Ermelo (Main seat)
			Breyten (place of sitting)
			Davel (periodical court)
			Chrissiemeer (periodical
			court)
			Lothair (periodical court)
			Sheepmoor (periodical court)
Nkomazi	Nkomazi	Nkomazi	Tonga (Main seat)
			Komatipoort (Suib-district)
			Malelane (place of sitting)
Steve Tshwete	Middleburg	Steve Tshwete	Middleburg (Main Seat)
			Hendrina (Sub-district)
			Blinkpan (periodical court)
Thaba Chweu	Mashishing	Thaba Chweu	Mashishing (Main seat)
	Pilgrims Rest		Pildrims Rest (Sub-district)
			Sabie (Sub-district)
			Graskop (Sub-district)
			Maartenshoop (periodical
			court)
Thembisile Hani	KwaMhlanga	Thembisile Hani	Kwaggafontein (Main seat
	Mkobola		KwaMhlanga (Sub-district)
			Verena (place of sitting)
Umjindi	Barberton	Umjindi	Barberton (Main Seat)
			Low's Creek (periodical court)
Victor Khanye	Delmas	Victor Khanye	Delmas (Main Seat)
			Sudra (periodical court)

A concise report and maps and point-to-point descriptions indicating the new magisterial districts can be accessed on the Department's website at the following address <a href="http://www.justice.gov.za/maps/maps-lp-mp.html">http://www.justice.gov.za/maps/maps-lp-mp.html</a>.

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Submissions in relation to the above proposed magisterial districts for the Provinces of Limpopo and Mpumalanga may be placed inside the designated boxes at the Department's National Office, Regional Offices of the two Provinces concerned and all the magistrates' Courts.

Any inquiry can be directed to the following numbers:

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012 315 1767 (National Office): Email address: <a href="mailto:rationalisation@justice.gov.za">rationalisation@justice.gov.za</a>.