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LAW SOCIETY WELCOMES APPOINTMENT OF MXOLISI NXASANA AS NATIONAL DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC PROSECUTIONS

The Law Society of South Africa (LSSA) welcomes the fact that the critical positions of National Director of Public Prosecutions and Head of the Special Investigating Unit have been filled by the President. The LSSA particularly welcomes the appointment of Durban attorney Mxolisi Nxasana as National Director of Public Prosecutions. 'Mr Nxasana brings with him relevant experience as a seasoned criminal law practitioner, and leadership experience gleaned from serving on the Council of the KwaZulu-Natal Law Society, particularly as its President in 2012. He has also served on the Criminal Law Committee of the LSSA and participated in LSSA Council meetings,' say LSSA Co-Chairpersons Kathleen Matolo-Dlepu and David Bekker.

They add: 'Our prosecution services are at the heart of the criminal justice system and carry the expectations for justice of the victims of crime – sadly often serious, violent crime and organised crime – in our society. They are also a mirror of our criminal justice system to the outside world. We are confident that Mr Nxasana will bring the skill, conscientiousness, integrity and independence necessary of the head of the prosecution services to deal with matters fairly, efficiently and professionally. We offer the support of the attorneys' profession to our colleague.'

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Editor's note:

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the Black Lawyers Association and the National Association of Democratic Lawyers – in representing South Africa's 21 400 attorneys and 5 800 candidate attorneys.