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LAW SOCIETY WELCOMES ADV SHAMILA BATOHI TO THE NPA

The Law Society of South Africa (LSSA) welcomes Adv Shamila Batohi back to South Africa and to the National Prosecuting Authority (NPA).

'On behalf of the attorneys' profession, we pledge our commitment to support her and the office of the National Director of Public Prosecutions,' say LSSA Co-Chairpersons, Mvuzo Notyesi and Ettienne Barnard.

They add: 'We urge her to deal urgently and fearlessly with staff issues at the NPA and to settle the management structure as soon as possible so that the NPA can regain the trust and support of the public and of other stakeholders.'

'We are also pleased to hear that Adv Batohi is confident that there will be no political interference in the NPA and is planning to convene a team to audit a number of cases.'

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