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NOTICE TO LEGAL PRACTITIONERS

ROBING IN THE LOWER COURTS

The Legal Practice Council (LPC) has been requested by the Judge President of the KwaZulu-Natal Division, in her capacity as the administrative Head of the Magistrates' Commission and on behalf of this Commission, to facilitate a request for comments from members of the legal profession concerning robing by all legal practitioners, both attorneys and advocates, in the Lower Courts (District and Regional Magistrates' Courts).

The existing practice of robing, traditionally inherited, varies across the High Courts and the Lower Courts, especially as it relates to the two branches of the profession (attorneys and advocates).

This consultative process aims to gather informed views from the legal profession which will be instrumental in formulating a coherent and practical response. The input gathered through this consultation will assist the LPC in compiling a response for the Judge President and the Commission led by her.

You are invited to submit your views in this regard to info@lpc.org.za by **close of business 04 November 2025**, to enable the LPC to collate comments and provide a response to the Office of the Judge President.

We thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Issued by the Legal Practice Council.