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**Stellenbosch
University**





Stellenbosch University started with four faculties (Science, Education, Arts and Social Sciences, and AgriSciences), 503 students, and 40 lecturing staff on 2 April 1918. Today, SU is home to 10 faculties, a vibrant and cosmopolitan community of more than 30 000 students and 3 000 staff members, spread over five campuses. The historical oak-lined university town is situated among the Boland Mountains in the Cape Winelands. This combination creates a unique campus atmosphere that attracts


local and foreign students alike. On the main campus, paved walkways – some dating from previous centuries, others merely a few years old – wind between the campus buildings. Architecture from various eras attests to the sound academic foundation and establishment of an institution of excellence. The scenic beauty of the area together with the state-of-the-art, environmentally friendly facilities, and technology, as well as visionary thinking about the creation of a sustainable 21st-century institution make for the unique character of Stellenbosch University.

Academic excellence and innovation

The University is among South Africa's leading tertiary institutions based on research output, student pass rates, and rated scientists; it is recognised internationally as an academic institution of excellence. It consistently boasts among the highest weighted research output per full-time academic staff member of all South African universities and the second-highest number of scientists in South Africa who have been rated by the National Research Foundation (NRF). It also has the highest student success rate in the country. Professor Wim de Villiers is the current Rector and Vice-Chancellor. The current Chancellor is Justice Edwin Cameron. He is the 15th Chancellor of Stellenbosch University and alumnus of the Faculty of Law. The current Chair of the Council of Stellenbosch University is Dr Nicky Newton-King. She is the first woman chair of council and an alumna of the Faculty of Law.

Faculties and campuses

SU has 10 faculties: AgriSciences, Economic and Management Sciences, Medicine and Health Sciences, Engineering, Military Sciences, Arts and Social Sciences, Science, Education, Law, and Theology. The Faculties are spread over different campuses and the Faculty of Law is situated at the Stellenbosch campus. Stellenbosch is situated about 50 km from Cape Town and just 30 km from Cape Town International Airport.



The University
is amongst
South Africa's
leading tertiary
institutions.

Faculty of Law



The Ou Hoofgebou (Old Main Building), situated on the corner of Victoria and Ryneveld Streets in the centre of Stellenbosch, is home to the Stellenbosch Faculty of Law. The Faculty of Law was established in 1921. Initially, the Faculty only offered the LLB degree and focused on training and equipping students, not merely as legal practitioners but also as jurists. Today the Faculty offers the following **undergraduate** programmes to around 1200 students:

BAcc LLB

This unique combined five-year degree is only offered at Stellenbosch. Students are introduced to both the essentials of jurisprudence, as well as Financial Accounting, Management Ac-

counting, Tax, and Auditing. Graduates satisfy the academic requirements to commence with the professional training to become an attorney, advocate, or chartered accountant.

BA (Law)

A three-year degree that enriches one's understanding of languages, human behaviour, and social issues, whilst providing a basis for further legal study by providing entry to the two-year LLB.

BCom (Law)

A three-year degree that is business-oriented and combines commerce with law. It is ideal for students who are interested in commercial law or a career in the business sector and it provides entry to the two-year LLB.

LLB as first degree

A four-year professional degree that focuses mainly on law. This programme aims to provide students with a sound grasp of all branches of law essential for a career as a legal practitioner.

LLB as second degree

A two-year degree that can be completed by BA (Law) or BCom (Law) graduates or a three-year degree for Bachelor graduates from any other field of study.

The Faculty recruits academically strong and an increasingly more diverse cohort of students from South Africa and abroad. All SU law programmes have stringent admission and selection criteria. Innovative research, excellent lecturers, good facilities, and a writing-across-the-cur-

riculum teaching strategy prepare students for postgraduate studies, a career in the legal profession, in business, or the public sector.

Student opportunities

The Juridical Society, Moot Court Society, Students for Law and Social Justice, Responsa Meridiana, and the Law and Leadership short course are just some of the student initiatives within the Faculty. The Faculty of Law actively promotes and participates in exchange agreements that exist between the Faculty and different individual institutions.

Postgraduate Programmes

In 1976, the LLM degree (by thesis) was awarded to two students for the first time. The Faculty of Law introduced the LLM by coursework in 1994. Today, the Faculty offers the following postgraduate programmes to more than 200 students:

Postgraduate Diploma in Tax Law

A two-year programme aimed at law, accounting, and commerce graduates focusing on the interpretation of tax law.

Postgraduate Diploma in Intellectual Property Law

A one-year programme aimed at law, science, and engineering graduates focusing on Copyright Law, Trademark Law, and Patent Law.

Postgraduate Diploma in Public Procurement Policy and Regulation

A one-year programme aimed at graduates with an interest in public procurement focusing on public

Stellenbosch University Law Faculty Building





The LLM programme attracts the most international students. Since 2008, more than 600 degrees have been awarded to international students.

procurement policy, compliance, corruption, as well as infrastructure and defence procurement.

Master of Laws (LLM) by coursework

A one-year programme where students can follow the general programme or enrol for one of the specialisations, namely Alternative Dispute Resolution, Intellectual Property Law, International Trade Law, or Labour Law. The programme requires students to complete four taught modules and one research paper of around 15 000 words. The Faculty also offers a professional LLM in Public Procurement Law.

Master of Laws (LLM) by research

A one-year programme where students are required to complete a thesis of around 60 000 words under the supervision of a specialist in the relevant area of law.

Doctor of Laws (LLD)

A two-year programme where students are required to complete a dissertation of around 100 000 words under the supervision of a specialist in the relevant area of law.

Graduates of the Faculty include leading judges, advocates, attorneys, business people, politicians, and academics.

Additionally, there are 9 National Research Foundation (NRF) rated researchers (2A, 3B, 3C, 1Y); this signifies their international and national esteem as researchers.

There are currently only three A-rated researchers in the field of Law in South Africa.

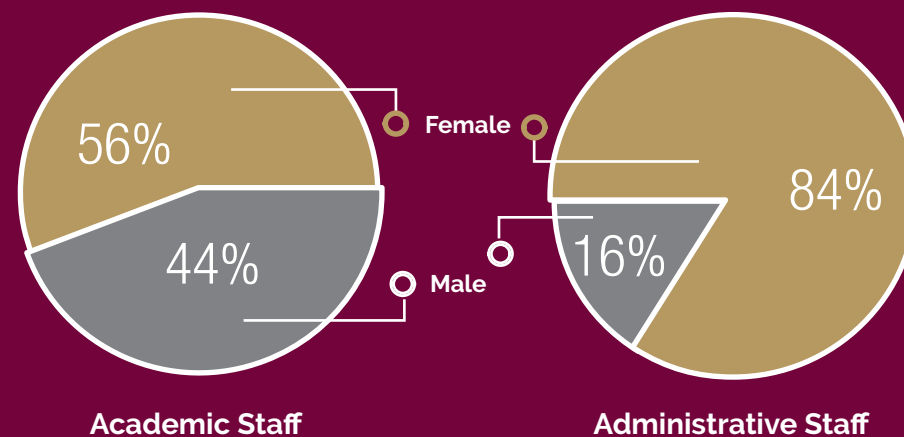
Staff

The staff of the Faculty of Law is passionate about legal education, research, and social impact.

There are 37 academics and 19 administrative staff supported by postdoctoral fellows and extraordinary appointments.

Stellenbosch University is engaged in several international consortia and has an extensive network of collaborators. Active cooperation agreements exist with several leading Faculties of Law,

including Aberdeen, Amsterdam, Bucerius, Cambridge, Leiden, KU Leuven, Maastricht, and Utrecht. A new joint Stellenbosch-KU Leuven LLM programme started in 2020.



The Faculty is home to five research chairs, namely:

The HF Oppenheimer Chair in Human Rights

Professor Sandra Liebenberg is the incumbent of the Chair. She is an internationally renowned scholar in the field of socio-economic rights. She served as Chair of the expert committee that advised the SA Constitutional Assembly on the Bill of Rights in the 1996 Constitution.

The Anton Mostert Chair in Intellectual Property Law

Professor Sadulla Karjiker is the incumbent of the Chair. He is an admitted attorney in South Africa and a solicitor in England, and has practised in

corporate and commercial law in both jurisdictions. He also worked for a UK legal publisher on its technology-related projects.

The Law Faculty Trust Chair in Social Justice

Professor Thuli Madonsela is the first incumbent of the Chair. Named one of TIME100's most influential people in the world in 2014 and Forbes Africa Person of the Year 2016, Professor Madonsela is one of the drafters of South Africa's Constitution and co-architect of several laws that have sought to anchor South Africa's democracy. She is also the former Public Protector of South Africa.



The Law Faculty Trust Chair in Urban Law and Sustainability Governance

Professor Anél du Plessis is the first incumbent of the Chair. Her focus is on the identification of new, and the refinement of existing, legal drivers for sustainability transitions in cities and towns, and the various systems supporting urban life. Urban law is an emerging field internationally, and the Chair in Urban Law and Sustainability Governance is the first of its kind in South Africa. Professor Du Plessis is editor of the first, and still only, extensive volume on South African environmental and local government law. She has published widely and supervised more than 40 postgraduate students and post-doctoral scholars in these areas. She is a rated researcher of the South African National Research Foundation (NRF), served as an elected member of the South African Young Academy of Science, and is an alumna of the scholarship programmes of the DAAD, Fulbright, and Alexander von Humboldt Foundation.

The Gys Steyn Chair in Financial Regulation Law

Various factors can impact the effective functioning of the financial system and render it vulnerable to instability and manipulation, which could affect investor confidence and make it easy for unscrupulous or criminal activities to thrive. A robust regulatory system is, therefore, essential for economic stability and growth, and to ensure the resilience of the financial system, when faced with crises. Regulation, other than fulfilling a control function, also has a role to play in the facilitation of opportunities, activities, integration, and coordination across the sector. The first incumbent, Professor Johann Scholtz, will support, strengthen, and improve scholarship in the field of financial regulation to produce high-quality research outputs and postgraduate students.

The Law Clinic

The Faculty is home to the SU Law Clinic. In 1975, the Law Clinic started as a Legal Aid Scheme operated by senior law students who provided legal assistance to indigent communities of Stellenbosch; it transitioned into a fully-fledged Legal Aid Clinic in 1987.

Today, the Law Clinic presents practical legal training to law students and continues to offer legal services to indigent persons. The Law Clinic assists with various civil matters; for example, divorces, contracts, family law, and debt. The Law Clinic also hosts workshops and provides training relating to evictions, debt collection, and family violence. The Law Clinic has 650 active client files, and more than 2000 individuals approach the Clinic each year for legal assistance.

The staff of the Clinic consists of a manager, four attorneys, six candidate attorneys, six legal consultants, one paralegal and three administrators.

The Law Clinic has been awarded a number of prizes and recognition for excellent contributions:

- 2019 South African Specialist Law Firm of the Year, 10th Annual Global Law Experts Awards
- 2019 South African Social Justice Law Firm of the Year, 10th Annual

- Global Law Experts Awards
- CCASA Achievement Award, 2018 African Legal Awards
- Finalist, Specialist Law Firm of the Year, 2018 African Legal Awards

Stellenbosch Law Review/ Stellenbosch Regstrydskrif

The Stellenbosch Law Review is an accredited law journal that was established in 1990. The journal includes full-length articles, book reviews, case discussions, as well as commentaries.

Three editions are published each year and contributions are published in either English or Afrikaans.

The Stellenbosch Law Review was named among the top five most-quoted South African law journals by the Washington & Lee School of Law: Law Journal Ranking Project in 2018. This project evaluated law journals per country based on a 2010 to 2017 survey.

The Faculty is also closely associated with the *South African Journal of Criminal Justice*, *Fundamina – A Journal of Legal History*, the *African Public Procurement Law Journal*, and the *Writing Journal*.

The Stellenbosch Law Review is highly regarded by the academic community.





Academic Profiles

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DEAN

Prof Nicola Smit

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Fields of specialisation: Labour Law; Social Security Law

Nicola Smit started her academic career as a junior lecturer at UNISA. She joined the University of Johannesburg (then RAU) as a lecturer in 1996. She progressed to full professor and also served as Vice-Dean, Faculty of Law, at the University of Johannesburg. In 2013, she joined the North-West University, Faculty of Law, as Executive Dean in Potchefstroom. Professor Smit has been Dean and Professor of Law at the Faculty of Law at Stellenbosch University since August 2017.

Her areas of specialisation include labour law (both collective and individual) and social security law. Professor Smit is a former NRF-rated researcher and she publishes widely and delivers keynotes and presentations at national and international conferences. Although Professor Smit does not currently teach at undergraduate level, she continues to supervise postgraduate students in the fields of labour and social security law.

Professor Smit is a commercial mediator, governor of the board of the International Association of Law Schools, member of the International Advisory Board of *The International Journal of Labour Law and Industrial Relations*, member of the editorial board of *International Labor Rights Case Law Journal* and the *Industrial Law Journal*,

and co-editor and co-author of various books, including *Law@work, Principles and Practice of Labour Law, Social Security: A Legal Analysis, Introduction to Social Security, Age Discrimination and Labour Law, and The Law of Commerce*.



Professor Smit states that “the Faculty is known for its excellence in legal education, research, and social impact. The strong relationships that the Faculty has established over many years significantly contribute to the success of our endeavours. The Faculty celebrated its centenary in 2021 and looks forward to continue working with past and present collaborators whilst also establishing new partnerships. The Old Main Building, CL Marais, and Crozier Street 18-24 form our home in the heart of Stellenbosch; we would like to invite interested parties to come and dream with us and work towards a South Africa where our constitutional democracy is the backbone of a more sustainable, equal, and fair society.”

VICE-DEANS

Prof Juanita Pienaar

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Fields of specialisation: Property Law; Land Reform; Customary Law

Juanita Pienaar is a Professor in the Department of Private Law and an extraordinary professor at the North-West University. Professor Pienaar is the Faculty of Law's inaugural Vice-Dean of Research and Internationalisation. She lectures Customary Law, Property Law, and Advanced Property Law. Her research focus is property law in general and land reform and related matters in particular. The latter culminated in an all-encompassing publication, *Land Reform* (Juta 2014), which forms part of the Juta Property Law Library. She has co-authored some of the standard Property Law publications, including *Silberberg and Schoeman's Law of Property* (with Badenhorst P and Mostert H) and *Principles of the Law of Property* (Mostert H and Pope A (eds)). She is also responsible for the Land Reform section, “Land”, of the *Law of South Africa* (2010, with Mostert H and Van Wyk J), and the chapter on “Land” in *Constitutional Law of South Africa* (with Brickhill J). She was a member of the Advisory Committee of the Law Commission (Land Legislation 2008 to 2011) and the acting judge in the Land Claims Court for the period 2006 to 2007. She is a fellow of the NRF Research Chair in Property Law and was a frequent recipient of the Vice-Rector's Research Award for researchers who contributed the most to accredited outputs. For the period 2014 to April

2019, she was a member of the Expert Panel for NRF Ratings, and convener for two years. In 2016, she was awarded the Chancellor's Award for Research. Professor Pienaar is one of four international advisors approached by the Scottish Land Commission to participate in the Scottish Land Reform Programme, which is currently in progress.

Prof Richard Stevens

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Richard Stevens is an Associate Professor in the Department of Mercantile Law and the Faculty of Law's Vice-Dean of Teaching and Learning. Professor Stevens has been involved at the Faculty from 1999, initially lecturing Insolvency Law and then company law since 2004. He has presented in the area of company law at international conferences in Scotland, the Netherlands, and Australia. His focus is on liability within company groups and he publishes predominantly in this area of Company Law. His focus is furthermore on the position of directors and their fiduciary duties. He is an admitted attorney and served as a candidate attorney at Webber Wentzel where he also remained as an admitted attorney before joining the Faculty. He is an accredited commercial mediator and a director at Cluver Markotter in the Commercial and Labour Law department on a part-time basis. He completed his Master of Laws degree at the University of Tübingen, Germany, and his doctoral degree at Stellenbosch University.

DISTINGUISHED PROFESSORS

Prof Jacques du Plessis

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Jacques Du Plessis is a Distinguished Professor in the Department of Private Law. He was awarded the NRF's President's Award, a B1 evaluation, an Alexander von Humboldt-Fellowship, the Toon van den Heever-medal for Legal Science, and Rector's awards for excellence in research. He was awarded the *Tijdschrift voor Privaatrecht Wisselleerstoel* (Exchange Chair) at the Katholieke Universiteit Leuven in 2019. Professor Du Plessis is the Vice President of the World Society of Mixed Jurisdiction Jurists, a member of the editorial boards of a number of international law journals, and an Associate Member of the International Academy of Comparative Law. He is also an Invited Fellow of the Institute for European Private Law in Maastricht, a Visiting Researcher at the Max Planck Institute for Foreign Private and Private International Law in Hamburg, and a Visiting Fellow at the Institute of European and Comparative Law in Oxford. He is engaged in a number of international comparative and historical studies on the law of contract and unjustified enrichment.

Professor Du Plessis is admitted as an attorney of the High Court of South Africa; he obtained a Certificate in Legal Practice (cum laude) from the University of Cape Town.

Prof Sandra Liebenberg

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Fields of specialisation: International Human Rights Law; Socio-Economic Rights

Sandra Liebenberg is a Distinguished Professor and the HF Oppenheimer Chair in Human Rights Law in the Faculty of Law, University of Stellenbosch, South Africa where she teaches and supervises students in human rights law at both undergraduate and postgraduate levels. Her research focuses on economic, social, and cultural rights as well as the rights to equality and non-discrimination, a healthy environment, and sustainable development. She also organises the Faculty's Annual Human Rights Lecture Series, which is in its 18th year.

From 1995 to 1996 she was appointed to the four-member Legal Technical Committee advising South Africa's Constitutional Assembly on the drafting of the Bill of Rights in the post-apartheid 1996 Constitution. She served as Chair of this Technical Committee. She was one of the two lead drafters of the *Principles and Guidelines of the Implementation of Economic, Social and Cultural Rights in the African Charter on Human and Peoples' Rights* adopted in 2010 by the African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights.

She is a former member of the UN Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (2017–2020), and

served as Vice-Chair of this body from 2019 to 2020. During her term on CESCR, she was the Committee's first Rapporteur on follow-up to Concluding Observations; served on its Working Group on Communications; and was co-rapporteur on the Statement, "The pledge to leave no one behind: the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development"; as well as the forthcoming General Comment on the economic, social, and cultural rights and sustainable development. She is currently serving as Chair of the Maastricht IV Drafting Committee, an international research and advocacy project to prepare *Principles and Guidelines on the Human Rights of Future Generations* along with a comprehensive legal commentary.

She has published widely in the field of socio-economic rights, including:

The South African Constitution from a Gender Perspective (1995 – editor); *Socio-Economic Rights: Adjudication under a Transformative Constitution* (2010 – sole-authored monograph); and *Law and Poverty: Perspectives from South Africa and Beyond* (2011 – co-edited with Professor G Quinot). She has also been involved in public interest litigation, human rights training and education, and advice to State institutions, government departments, inter-governmental organisations, and civil society organisations for several years.

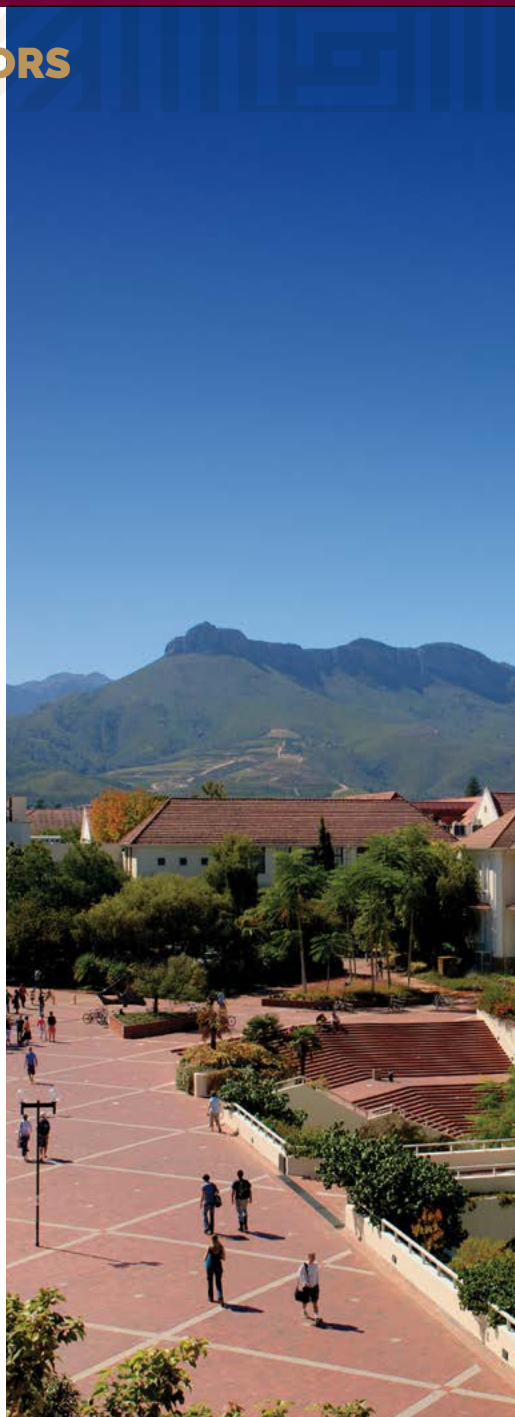
In 2022 she received an A1 rating from South Africa's National Research Foundation for her research in the field of socio-economic rights. A-Rated researchers are unequivocally recognised by their peers as leading international scholars in their respective fields, for the high quality and impact of their recent research.



HONORARY PROFESSORS

Former Appeal Court Judge Fritz Brand

Fritz Brand studied at Stellenbosch University and the University of Leiden in the Netherlands (BA LLB LLM (cum laude)). He started his career as an academic in the Faculty of Law, Stellenbosch, before he joined the Cape Bar in 1977. He practised as an advocate, becoming Senior Counsel in 1989. In September 1992, he was appointed as a judge in the High Court in Cape Town. After serving as the acting judge of appeal at the Supreme Court of Appeal in Bloemfontein in 2000, he was appointed permanently to that court from 1 December 2001. In 2010, he was appointed as an acting judge to the Constitutional Court for two terms, retaining his permanent position on the Supreme Court of Appeal. Justice Brand always retained his interest in academia and continued publishing, especially in the field of defamation and enrichment. In this capacity, he has contributed to the *South African Law Journal* and the *Law of South Africa* (Lawsa) specifically. As visiting lecturer and honorary professor, he has lectured in various universities and institutions, locally and abroad. When his first term as honorary professor lapsed at the end of 2016, Justice Brand accepted a further term in the Department of Private Law.



Prof Katharina Boele-Woelki

Katharina Boele-Woelki is the retired Dean of Bucerius Law School in Hamburg, Germany. She is an internationally acclaimed expert in various legal fields, including private International law, comparative law, and family law. In this capacity, she has published widely and has lectured in both the Netherlands and Germany. She is the president of the Dutch Association of Family Law, a member of the board of the Dutch Association of Comparative Law, and a member of several editorial boards of Dutch, European, and South African law journals. To date, she has received three honorary doctorates, in 2011, 2015, and 2016, respectively, from the University of Uppsala, the University of Lausanne, and the University of Antwerp. She has been the President of the International Academy of Comparative Law (where she is also a titular member) since 2014. As Honorary Professor in the Department of Private Law, she presents annual training sessions and masterclasses in Comparative Law research methodology to the Stellenbosch Faculty of Law's postgraduate cohort.

Justice Mbuyiseli Russel Madlanga

Justice Madlanga is a senior judge serving on the Constitutional Court of South Africa since 2013. He is regarded as an authoritative jurist who has made a significant contribution to the legal profession and to constitutional law in South Africa. Prior to his permanent appointment to the Constitutional Court, he made important contributions in many spheres of the judiciary, including the High Court, the Supreme Court of Appeal (in an acting capacity), the Competition Appeal Court, and the Constitutional Court (in an acting capacity). He also served as Deputy Chairperson of the Competition Tribunal for three years from 2009 to 2012.

Justice Madlanga has made a seminal contribution to the development of law and legal practice in South Africa. He is highly regarded by both the legal profession and by the legal academic community in South Africa.

Baroness Judge Christine van den Wyngaert

Christine van den Wyngaert graduated from Brussels University in 1974 and obtained a PhD in International Criminal Law in 1979. She was a Professor of Law at the University of Antwerp (1985–2005) where she taught criminal law, criminal procedure, comparative criminal law, and criminal law. She

authored numerous publications in all these fields. Judge Van den Wyngaert was a visiting fellow at the University of Cambridge (Centre for European Legal Studies (1994–1996), Research Centre for International Law 1996–1997, and has been a visiting professor at Stellenbosch University's Faculty of Law since 2000. Her merits as an academic were recognised in the form of five Doctorates Honoris Causa, awarded by the University of Uppsala, Sweden (2001); the University of Brussels (2010); Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland Ohio (2013); the University of Maastricht (2013); and Stellenbosch University (2018). Judge Van den Wyngaert gained expertise in various governmental organisations; she was a member of the Criminal Procedure Reform Commission in Belgium (Commission Franchimont) (1991–1998) and served as an expert for the European Union in various criminal law projects. She served in the International Court of Justice as an ad hoc judge in the Arrest Warrant Case (2000–2002) and was elected as a judge in the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia (ICTY) where she served for more than five years (2003–2009). She served as a judge at the International Criminal Court (ICC) from 2009 until 2018, where she also presided over cases in the Appeals Division. In 2013, the Flemish Government awarded her a golden medal for her achievements in international criminal law. In 2014, she was elected Vice President of the International Association of Penal Law.

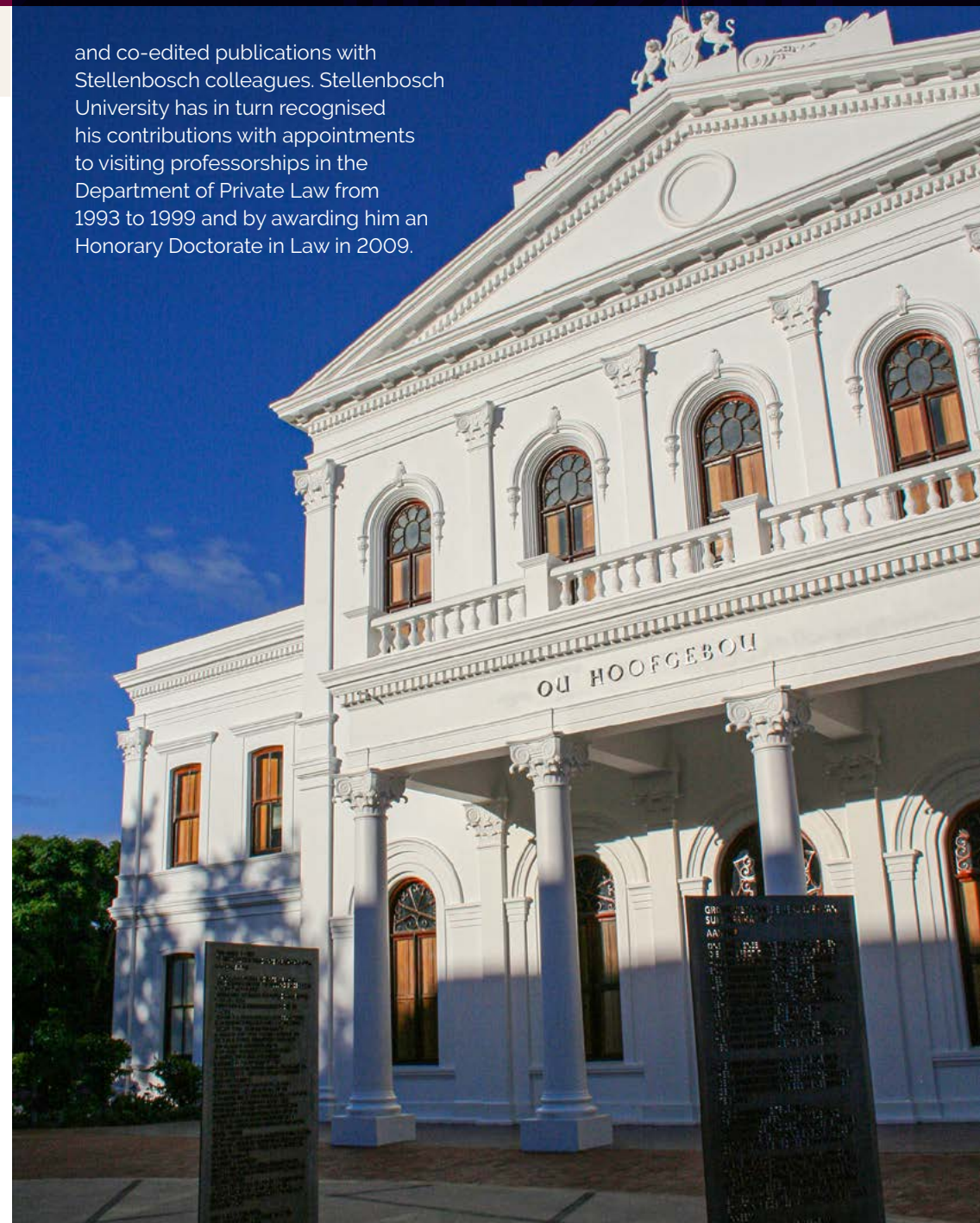
Judge Van den Wyngaert was granted the title of Baroness by the King of Belgium for her merits as an academic and as an international judge.

Prof Reinhard Zimmermann

Professor Reinhard Zimmermann is a leading international scholar in the field of private law. From 2002 until his retirement in 2022, he was Director of the Max Planck Institute for Comparative and International Private Law in Hamburg, and he also holds the position of Affiliate Professor at Bucerius Law School, Hamburg. In 2006, he was elected Chairman of the Human Sciences Section of the Max Planck Society, and between 2006 and 2010 he was Senator ex officio, and since 2011 Elected Senator of the Max Planck Society. Throughout his academic career, Professor Zimmermann has received numerous awards, honours, and honorary appointments.

Of particular significance in the present context is his strong link to the South African legal academic community, and the Stellenbosch University Faculty of Law, in particular. For more than three decades, many established as well as young academics and students at the Stellenbosch University Faculty of Law benefitted from research visits or appointments to assistantships at Regensburg University and the Hamburg Max Planck Institute for Comparative and International Private Law. He has further co-authored

and co-edited publications with Stellenbosch colleagues. Stellenbosch University has in turn recognised his contributions with appointments to visiting professorships in the Department of Private Law from 1993 to 1999 and by awarding him an Honorary Doctorate in Law in 2009.





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PROFESSORS

Prof Zsa-Zsa Boggenpoel

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Fields of specialisation: Property Law; Constitutional Property Law; Property Theory

Zsa-Zsa Boggenpoel is a Professor in the Department of Private Law. She completed her LLD in 2010, with a dissertation entitled "Building encroachments and compulsory transfer of ownership". Professor Boggenpoel has received numerous awards from Stellenbosch University and from universities abroad, including the Henry Arthur Holland Scholarship in Law from the University of Cambridge, London (2009); a Visiting Scholarship from the Molengraaff Institute for Private Law at Utrecht University, Netherlands (2009); the Mellon Academic Development Award from the Division for Research Development at Stellenbosch University (2014); and the Vice-Rector Award for one of the researchers who made the biggest contributions at Stellenbosch University in accredited publications and supervision of postgraduate students. She has published numerous journal articles and one book since commencing her academic career in 2011; she has presented nationally and internationally at conferences associated with her field of interest. She is also actively involved in postgraduate supervision of postdoctoral fellows, doctoral dissertations, and masters' theses as she is passionate about the next generation of scholars tasked with the responsibility of developing the law

in line with the Constitution. In 2016, Professor Boggenpoel was awarded an NRF rating in the category C1. Professor Boggenpoel was promoted to full professor in the Department of Private Law at Stellenbosch University in 2017. She was awarded the South African Research Chair in Property Law (Tier 1) under the NRF: South African Research Chairs Initiative (SARChI) from March 2018 to December 2022.

Prof Henk Botha

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Fields of Specialisation: Constitutional Law; Constitutional Theory; Legal Philosophy; Constitutional Interpretation; Comparative Constitutional Law

Henk Botha is a Professor in the Department of Public Law. He currently teaches Legal Philosophy and Interpretation of Enacted Law, and previously taught Constitutional Law. Before joining the Faculty of Law at Stellenbosch University in 2006, he was a professor of Constitutional Law at UNISA.

Prof Theo Broodryk

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Fields of Specialisation: Civil Procedure; Legal Skills; Legal Writing

Theo Broodryk is a Professor and Manager of the Law Clinic. He is an NRF Y1-rated researcher. He completed his postgraduate LLB degree at the Faculty in 2008. He commenced his articles of clerkship at Edward Nathan Sonnenbergs Inc. in 2009, where he also practised as an attorney until

September 2012. Professor Broodryk was awarded the Doctor of Laws degree for his thesis, titled "Developing a Structure for the Adjudication of Class Actions in South Africa". He is responsible for lecturing Civil Procedure and Legal Skills. Professor Broodryk was the recipient of the SU Rector's Award for outstanding work performance in 2015; he was awarded research funding by HB & MJ Thom in the same year. In 2018, he was awarded the Beaufort (Colenso) Scholarship for research at St John's College, Cambridge University, Michaelmas Term 2019. He was also the recipient of the NRF Knowledge Interchange and Collaboration funding award in 2018. He was a visiting Scholar at Stanford Law School, Stanford University, in 2016; in the same year, he was recognised by Stellenbosch University as part of the group of approximately 40 researchers within the University who made the biggest contribution in terms of accredited scientific publications. In 2020, He was awarded the prestigious Georg Forster Fellowship Award of the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation in Germany. He has published widely, and authored a widely used book, *Eckard's Principles of Civil Procedure in the Magistrates' Court* (6th ed (Juta), in 2018.

Prof Anél du Plessis

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Fields of specialisation: Urban Law; Environmental Law; Climate Change Law and Governance; Environmental Rights; Local Government Law

Anél du Plessis joined the Faculty of Law at the University of Stellenbosch in July 2023, and is the first incumbent

of the new Chair in Urban Law and Sustainability Governance.

She is an established researcher in the intersecting area of law, urban development, cities, human rights, and environmental sustainability and served as the first incumbent of the NRF SARChI Chair in Cities, Law and Environmental Sustainability (CLES) at the North-West University (2018-2023). In 2022, this Chair was awarded the NWU Institutional Community Engagement Award for "Engaged Research". To date, Professor Du Plessis successfully supervised and co-supervised more than 50 postgraduate students and post-doctoral fellows, including the NWU's youngest-ever PhD student in law (2021).

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She served as assistant editor of the *Potchefstroom Electronic Law Journal* for 10 years, and she has since established a special series in the journal devoted to urban law and governance. Since 2022 she is a Co-Rapporteur of the International Law Association's Study Group on the Role of Cities in International Law.

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Geo Quinot is a Professor in the Department of Public Law. He teaches Administrative and Public Procurement. He is a recipient of Stellenbosch University's Chancellor's Medal, the annual award for the most outstanding final-year student at the university, which he received upon graduating with his LLB degree. Other noteworthy awards include the Rector's Award for Community Interaction, which he received jointly with Professor Sandra

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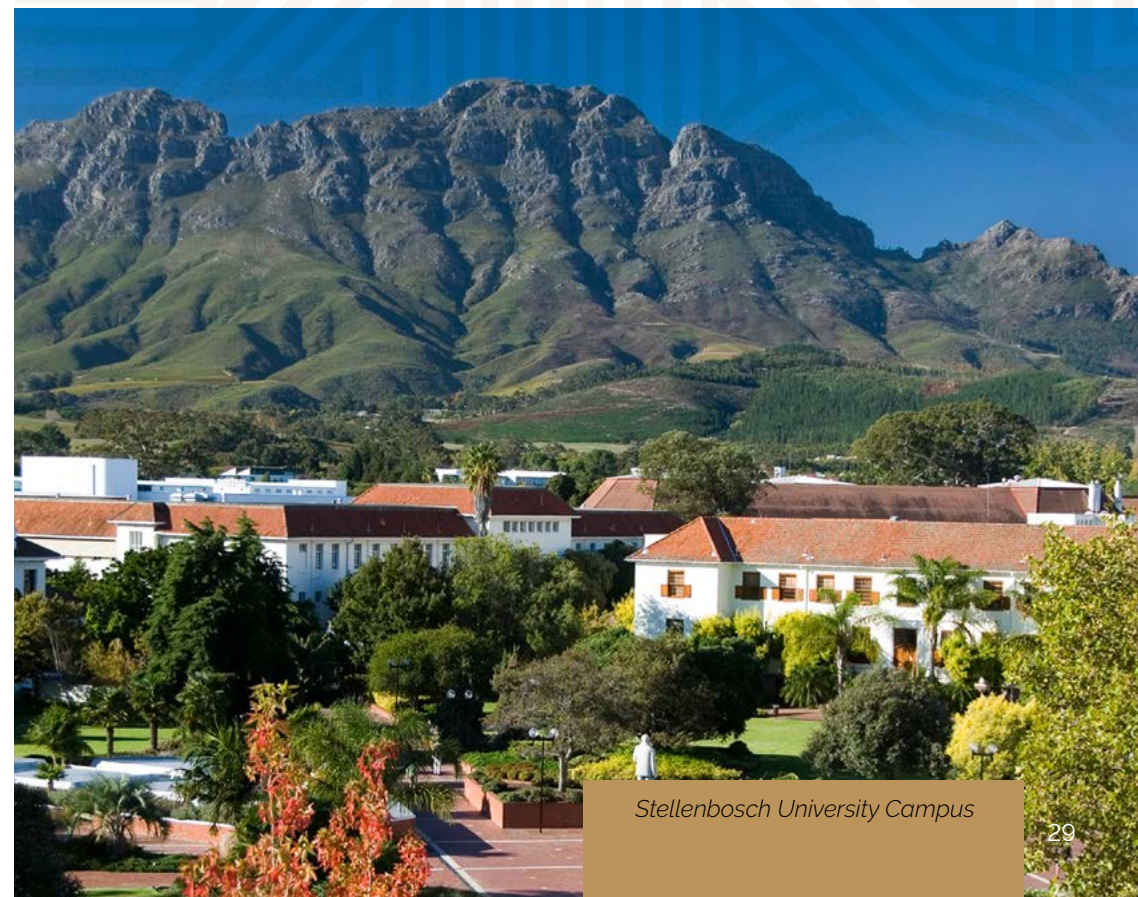
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Oliver C. Ruppel has been a Professor in the Department of Mercantile Law since 2011. Prior to this, he held one of the worldwide 14 founding academic chairs of the World Trade Organisation (WTO), Geneva (Switzerland), which he established at the University of Namibia, Windhoek, where he had previously also served as Director of the Human Rights and Documentation Centre, a national institute established by statute under the Namibian Minis-

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Head of the Department of Mercantile Law at Stellenbosch University from 2012 to 2016. In the area of competition law, Professor Sutherland is a co-author of the LexisNexis work, *The Competition Law of South Africa*. In the area of competition law, his research is currently focused on competition law theory and enforcement.

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tion in Public Procurement (2012); *Public Procurement and Multilateral Development Banks* (2017); *Public Procurement Regulation for 21st Century Africa* (2018), and *Public Procurement Regulation in Africa: Development in uncertain times* (2020), as well as over 55 peer-reviewed publications.

She has drafted some significant policy and research reports for the International Development Research Centre – Public Procurement and Women's Economic Empowerment (2022); the Open Contracting Partnership – Equity and Inclusion of Women Owned Businesses in Public Procurement in South Africa (2021); United Nations Economic Commission for Africa – Guidelines for Open Government in Africa (2017); the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development – the peer review on the USA procurement system (2011); and the European Union and UNODC – a report on the Nigerian procurement system (2015). She is a regular keynote and conference speaker and has spoken at over 100 international conferences in over 30 countries.

Professor Williams has developed anti-corruption courses for UNODC (2019) and the UN Virtual School (2012) and served as an academic member in the World Bank's Procurement Technical Advisory Group from 2008 to 2011. She co-developed, and teaches on, the LLM and PGDip in Public Procurement Regulation and Policy at Stellenbosch University. She is an editor of four international journals and a Vice-Chair of the anti-corruption committee of the International Bar Association. In December 2022, she was awarded the International Anti-Corruption Excellence Award for

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Her research has been cited by the South African Constitutional Court in the case of *Shaik v The State* (2008). Prior to moving to Stellenbosch, she taught at the universities of Stirling and Nottingham, both in the UK, and the University of Lagos in Nigeria.

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In 2013, she was awarded an Alexander von Humboldt Research Fellowship for Experienced Researchers, having spent time at the Max-Planck Institute for Comparative and International Private Law and the Bucerius Law School in Hamburg, respectively. Additionally, her research has been funded by the British Academy and the John Fell Fund (Oxford).

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Professor Braun is a Co-Director of the Edinburgh Centre for Private Law and the series editor of the *Edinburgh*

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Her research interests range from comparative law and legal history to legal education, the study of the intellectual history of the law, and the development of various forms of legal scholarship and its interaction with, and impact on, judicial decision-making.

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Prof Owen Dean

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Irene-Marié Esser (LLB (Stell) LLM (Aberdeen) LLD (UNISA)) is a specialist in corporate law and corporate governance. She started her academic career at UNISA (2005) where she was promoted to full professor in Corporate Law in 2009. She relocated to Edinburgh, Scotland, in 2013. During 2014 and 2015, she lectured at the University of Glasgow as well as Edinburgh University. In 2014, she was appointed as a Visiting Professor at the Open University, United Kingdom, for a three-year period. She is an expert panel member of the EU-Africa Chamber of Commerce, a member of the PRI Academic Forum, as well as a member of the Sustainable Market Actors Network, and Daughters of Themis: International Network of Female Business Scholars. Professor Esser joined Glasgow Law School in September 2015, where she is a Professor of Corporate Law and Governance. She is on the editorial board of the *European Business Law Review* and is the current company law convener at the Society of Legal Scholars of the UK. South Africa and Scotland are mixed jurisdictions, which therefore facilitates significant scope for collaboration.

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Prof Charles Gielen

Charles Gielen holds a law degree from the Catholic University of Brabant in Tilburg and a doctorate degree from the University of Utrecht, the Netherlands. Professor Gielen specialises in intellectual property law and was first

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Professor Gielen has published several books and articles on subjects involving intellectual property law (in particular patent and trade mark law) and is a member of editorial boards responsible for publishing law reviews on intellectual property and competition law such as the *European Intellectual Property Review*, the *European Trademark Reports*, and *Intellectuele Eigendom & Reclamerecht*. He is also member of the standing advisory committee to the Dutch government on trade mark and design law. He is the past President of the Vereniging voor Intellectuele Eigendom and forms part of the Executive Committee of this Association. He is a past member of the Board of Directors and its Executive Committee of the International Trade-mark Association. He is also the past President of the International League of Competition Law (LIDC). He is a member of the Board of the anticounterfeiting organisation SNB-REACT in Amsterdam. Professor Gielen was the first speaker of the Annual Intellectual Property Law Public Lecture at Stellenbosch University.

Prof Charl Hugo

Charl Hugo (BA (Law) LLB (Pret), LLM (UNISA), LLD (Stell)) qualified as an attorney in 1985 and joined the lecturing staff of the Department of Mercantile Law of Stellenbosch University in the same year. Professor Hugo became a full professor in 1996

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Prof Lee Marler

Lee Marler is an English barrister and a member of the Bar of England and Wales. He is the Head of Chambers for Pavocat Chambers, a specialist international law set of barristers (counsel) headquartered in London and which operates globally. Pavocat Chambers is a specialist set focusing on solutions to complex corruption problems faced by states, corporations, and individuals around the world; and advancing compliance with international law in time of conflict and subsequently dealing with

the consequences of its transgression. Professor Marler is also founder and director of the Pavocat Group, an international business with expertise in all aspects of counter-corruption and international humanitarian law ("IHL"). Pavocat's purpose is to counter corruption in all its forms and to promote and enhance compliance with IHL. Professor Marler returned to private practice in London in January 2009, having previously led operations at the World Bank Group's Anti-Corruption Office in Washington D.C. for two years. He is an international law expert who specialises at the Bar in counter-corruption, international organisations, the laws of war, international criminal law, human rights, and the rule of law. He is regularly instructed by governments, multinational companies, and individuals. Having been Called to the Bar in 1987 at Lincoln's Inn, he was commissioned into the Army Legal Corps of the British Army where he rose from lieutenant to colonel within 10 years. On leaving the Army, he became the Chief of the International Law Division of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency in the Gaza Strip and followed that posting with other senior positions within the community of international organisations, including the appointment as the Deputy Chief Compliance Officer for the EBRD in London. He lectures regularly on international law matters; he is co-chair of the International Administrative Law Centre of Excellence, a member of the International Bar Association, and a member of the British Institute of International and Comparative Law. Professor Marler is also the Chair of the board of the Pavocat Stellenbosch Academy, a joint initiative between the Pavocat Group



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and Stellenbosch University aimed at delivering "gold-standard" short courses in Africa and around the world for professionals operating in the fields of (1) counter-corruption and (2) conflict, and whether the conflict is international or non-international in nature.

Justice Yasmin Shenaz Meer

Yasmin Shenaz Meer holds the degrees BA (University of Durban Westville), LLB (UCT), and LLM (University of Warwick, UK); she was one of the first judges appointed when the Land Claims Court was newly established in 1996. She is the most experienced judge at the Land Claims Court and is also the acting Judge President. After completing her articles, she joined the Legal Resources Centre as its first attorney in Cape Town. She was instrumental in establishing the Cape Town office where she practised for 10 years. Thereafter, she held the position of Deputy National Director of the Legal Resources Centre before being appointed to the bench in 1996. As South Africa has never before had a Land Claims Court, the contributions of the early judges are truly groundbreaking. Justice Meer's contributions to jurisprudence, dealing with land reform generally, and restitution, redistribution, and tenure reform specifically, are profound. Since 2012, she has also been the acting Judge President of the Land Claims Court.

Prof Annika Rudman

Annika Eva Rudman is an extraordinary professor in the Department of Public Law and a visiting professor at the Southern and Eastern African Regional Centre for Women's Law in Harare,

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Research, and International Studies from the School of Global Studies, University of Gothenburg, Sweden. She completed her doctoral studies under Professor Mikael Spång and Professor Helena Lindholm. The topic of her thesis was "Equality before Custom? - A study of property rights of previously disadvantaged women under land reform and communal tenure in post-apartheid South Africa".

Prof Jaap Spier

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Prof Andreas van Wyk

Between 1960 and 1966, Andreas van Wyk received his legal education cum laude at Stellenbosch University and the University of Bonn in Germany, respectively. He also attended lectures at Besançon University in France during this period. He received his doctorate in law in 1976 from the University of Leiden in the Netherlands. In 1997, Leuven University in Belgium awarded him an honorary doctorate in law as recognition for his service to higher education and legal development. Thereafter, in 2007, he also obtained a BPhil degree in Ancient History at Stellenbosch University. Professor Van

Wyk's career as an academic took him from senior lecturer to professor and Dean of the Stellenbosch Faculty of Law (1966–1984). After a period of three years (1984–1987) as director-general of Constitutional Development and Planning, during which he was actively involved in the preamble to the new South African dispensation, he returned to Stellenbosch as first Vice-Rector and then Rector and Vice-Chancellor of the University (1991–2001). He is the author of three standard works on South African law and many articles on legal issues. He was also active in the business world as director of companies such as Boland Bank; Distillers Corporation, where he was chairman; the Victoria & Alfred Waterfront; and Old Mutual South Africa, where he was also chairman until the end of 2010. Since his resignation as Rector of Stellenbosch University, Professor Van Wyk has been active as a lecturer in, and advisor on, corporate law issues, with particular emphasis on corporate governance. He also reads widely in his proficient languages: Afrikaans, German, English, French, Italian, Dutch, and Spanish. His love of Latin also stays with him.

Prof Jacqueline Yeats

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Prof Gerhard Werle

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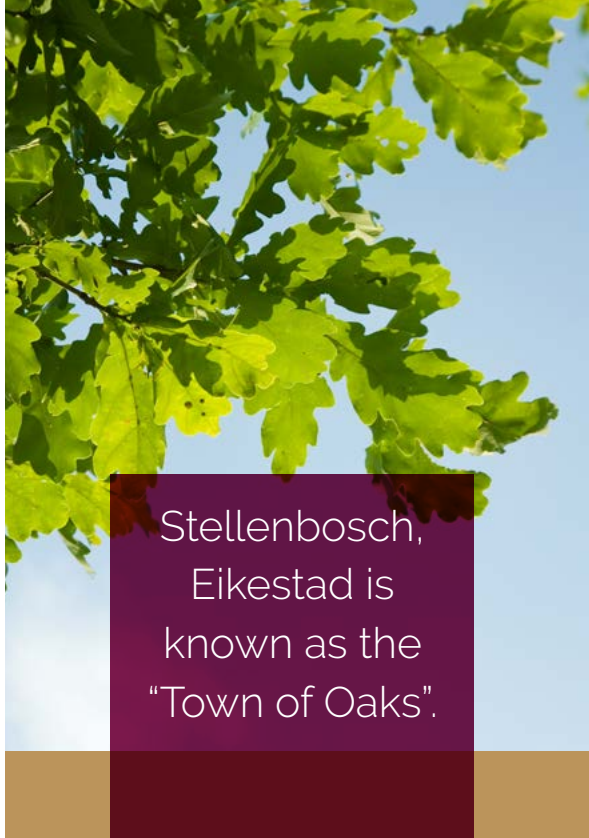
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