

Eastern Cape

PORT ELIZABETH

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AGM AND ANNUAL BAR DINNER

The Eastern Cape Society of Advocates' AGM and annual Bar dinner was held in Grahamstown. The public protector, Advocate Thuli Madonsela was the guest speaker. To say the least, she provided an inspiring start to the new year and a sterling example to our newly elected Bar Council members. Representing the PE Bar on the Eastern Cape Society of Advocates' Bar Council are Steven Rorke SC, Gqamana SC, Nobatana, Ronaasen, Dala and Zietsman. Rossi has been appointed as the secretary.



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NEW MEMBERS

The PE Bar welcomes six new members who successfully completed the pupillage programme in 2015 and joined our Bar on 15 December 2015. Their details are as follows:

Zuko Mapoma

Zuko Mapoma holds a B Proc (Unitra), LLB (UWC), LLM (Unisa), MBA (UCT), and Advanced Diploma in Labour Law (RAU). Having done articles of clerkship with Sangoni Incorporated in Mthatha, he was admitted as an attorney in 1995, and practised as such until 2002. During his tenure as an attorney, he worked for the Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC) of South Africa for five years (1996-2001) as a Legal Adviser, and a Leader of Evidence for the Amnesty Committee. In 2002 he left legal practice to join the corporate environment in the state owned entity, namely

Coega Development Corporation (CDC) in Port Elizabeth, as an Executive. At CDC, he worked as the Executive Manager responsible for inter alia, Legal, Risk, Procurement, Governance and Compliance.

Avian Barnett

Avian was at the State Attorney, PE for about 7 years before commencing pupillage. He practised as a sole practitioner prior to joining the State Attorney and worked at Goldberg and Victor as an intern. He commenced his articles of clerkship at Russel Incorporated and completed them at Wesley Pretorius and Associates.

Tarryn Rossi

Tarryn Rossi graduated from NMMU with her LLB (cum laude), Tarryn commenced articles of clerkship with Friedman Scheckter in January 2008. She was then appointed to the firm's commercial litigation

department, where she held the position of associate from 2010 to 2014. During this time she specialised in high court litigation. Tarryn discovered that she had a passion for litigation and the adrenaline that goes with it which would be better served at the Bar. After having been accepted into the pupillage programme, Tarryn resigned from the attorneys' practice and completed her pupillage in October 2015. She became a fully-fledged member of the Eastern Cape Bar on 15 December 2015. In January 2016 she was also appointed as the Deputy Secretary of the Eastern Cape Bar Council. Tarryn holds chambers at Oasim South and practises in general civil and commercial litigation.

Neil O' Brien

Neil was admitted as an attorney in 2008. He did his articles and practised at O'Brien Inc Attorneys focusing on litigation and specialising in aspects of human rights and administrative law before joining the Bar.

Hannelie Bakker

Hannelie holds a B.Juris (1984) LLB (1986) from UPE, now NMMU. Bakker joined Department of Justice as a prosecutor on 18 November 2016. She held the position of Deputy Director of Public Prosecutions: Head of Office Port Elizabeth until 31 December 2014 when she decided to follow her life-long dream of joining the Bar. She is married to Johnny Bakker and has a son.

Andrew White

Andrew holds a BA and LLB from University of Witwatersrand. He completed articles and then specialised in third party claims and corporate litigation. He practised as a sole practitioner before joining the Bar.

ACTING APPOINTMENT

Wabo Msizi

Wabo is acting for this term in the High Court and we wish her well. 