

VERSHEN MOODLEY SC TRIBUTE

The General Council of the Bar of South Africa (the GCB) and Advocates for Transformation (National) mourn the death of Vershen Moodley SC.

Moodley SC was a serving member of the executive of the GCB and a member on the National Executive Committee of AFT.

He served the GCB and AFT with distinction and has left an indelible mark through his contributions to the GCB and AFT. His involvement and contribution to the legal profession was not only limited to the GCB and AFT as he served on other structures as well, such as Nadel.

Moodley SC was a humanitarian by nature. He not only understood the virtue of giving, it was part of his character. He would be at the forefront of programmes to serve others, to give of his time, effort and resources; whether it was a feeding scheme for those in need or mentoring aspirant advocates.

The poet Kahlil Gibran's words are apposite to Moodley SC:

"You give but little if you give your possessions. It is when you give of yourself that you truly give."

Vershen was wise beyond his age. He had the ability to first listen to different views, an acute ability to assess the temperature of a debate and thereafter to advance a compelling view which would make a profound contribution.

He was loyal by nature and could be relied upon. He had an endearing and enduring work ethic; his contributions to the GCB and AFT are recognised and duly noted. Moodley SC made a massive contribution to the GCB's review litigation relating to the State Attorney's tender system.

Vershen left a legacy to the legal profession. Over the years he has mentored aspirant advocates. He served the profession in various capacities and did so with the objective to transform not only the legal profession but also society at large.

These achievements will stand as a testament for years to come.

We salute you. **A**

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