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UNISA 2026 STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT PROGRAMME

by **Megan Moodley**

On 21 April 2026, the UNISA College of Law held its stakeholder engagement programme at the main campus in Pretoria under the theme *Collaborating for Impact: Shaping the Future of Law and Criminal Justice.*

The one-day programme brought together judges, advocates, government officials, academics and student leaders to discuss digital transformation, artificial intelligence (AI), modernisation of the criminal justice system and legal research in Africa.

The keynote addresses were delivered by Justice Molemela, President of the Supreme Court of Appeal, and Professor Andre Mbata Mangu on the future of legal practice in the age of AI.

The Pretoria Bar was represented in the closing "words of support" segment by Sunette Lötter, who joined the Pretoria Bar in 2019 and practises at Brooklyn chambers. Before moving into practice, Lötter served as a professor of criminal law at UNISA for 22 years. Beyond the Bar, she holds appointments on the Refugee Appeals Authority of South Africa (RAASA), as a panel member for Mediation in Motion Mediators Court, and as the chairperson of the Broadcasting Complaints Commission of South Africa. Her address added a practitioner's perspective to the day's discussions on collaboration between academia, the Bar and the broader justice stakeholders.

The Pretoria Bar's involvement reflects its ongoing role in legal training and professional development.

NEW MEMBERS AT THE PRETORIA BAR

by **Megan Moodley**

Since the publication of the previous issue of *Advocate*, I am glad to report that 14 of our 2025 pupils have been admitted as advocates and have taken up membership at the Pretoria Bar. We congratulate and welcome our new members and wish them all successful careers at the Bar.

Marizelle Kruger was admitted as an advocate on 3 March 2026 and joined the Pretoria Bar on 5 March 2026. She has taken up chambers at Club Chambers.

Thapelo Pilusa-Ranko was admitted as an advocate and joined the Pretoria Bar on 2 March 2026. She has taken up chambers at Parc Nouveau Chambers.

Hlamalani Chavani was admitted as an advocate on 19 March 2026 and joined the Pretoria Bar on 27 March 2026. He has taken up chambers at New Court Chambers.

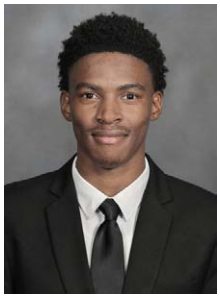
Carla Putter was admitted as an advocate on 19 March 2026 and joined the Pretoria Bar on 27 March 2026. She has taken up chambers at Parc Nouveau Chambers.

Lesego Molepo was admitted as an advocate on 28 April 2026 and joined the Pretoria Bar on 1 May 2026. She has taken up chambers at Parc Nouveau Chambers.

Michaèla Fourie was admitted as an advocate on 16 March 2026 and joined the Pretoria Bar on 30 March 2026. She has taken up chambers at Groenkloof Chambers.

Motheo Maseko was admitted as an advocate on 12 March 2026 and joined the Pretoria Bar on 17 March 2026. He has taken up chambers at Brooklyn Chambers.

Kearabetswe Medupe was admitted as an advocate on 19 March 2026 and joined the Pretoria Bar on 26 March 2026. She has taken up chambers at Circle Chambers.



Aluve Solombela was admitted as an advocate on 9 March 2026 and joined the Pretoria Bar on 19 March 2026. He has taken up chambers at Club Chambers.

Lynette Motsei was admitted as an advocate on 16 April 2026 and joined the Pretoria Bar on 5 May 2026. She has taken up chambers at Circle Chambers.

Kobus Louw was admitted as an advocate on 19 March 2026 and joined the Pretoria Bar on 26 March 2026. He has taken up chambers at Club Chambers.

Megan Moss was admitted as an advocate on 9 March 2026 and joined the Pretoria Bar on 19 March 2026. She has taken up chambers at Group 33.

Nongqibeko Titi was admitted as an advocate and joined the Pretoria Bar on 4 May 2026. She has taken up chambers at Circle Chambers.