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SECRETARY GENERAL : OFFICE OF THE CHIEF JUSTICE

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CCT 366/22
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24 February 2023

RE: (CCT 366/22) CT MAKUA OBO KA MAKUA & 5 OTHERS // SECRETARY-GENERAL; OFFICE OF THE CHIEF JUSTICE AND 9 OTHERS

1. We refer to the above-mentioned matter.
2. On 14 December 2022, the applicants (our clients) lodged a direct access application with the Registrar of the Constitutional Court in terms of section 167(6)(a) and rule 18 of the Constitutional Court Rules.
3. The application was served on all 10 respondents. The first to fourth respondents gave notice of their intention to oppose on 12 January 2023. The seventh respondent (the Road Accident Fund) served our offices with a "Notice of Appointment of Attorneys of Record" on 13 January 2023. We have not received further notice of opposition from the remaining respondents, and the time for said notice per rule 18(3) has expired.
5. We confirm that the concerns and problems addressed in the application continue to escalate. Since the institution of the application, administrative court staff in the High Court of South Africa Gauteng Division, Pretoria, have started to victimise and frustrate pending actions and applications where our firm is appointed attorney of record for the plaintiff/applicant.

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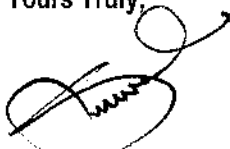
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6. Moreover, the civil trial court roll in the High Court of South Africa Gauteng Division, Pretoria, continues to deteriorate under further procedures implemented by the court's administrative staff. The applicants foreshadowed the aforesaid in their founding affidavit.
7. We respectfully ask the Registrar's office to please advise on the application status, specifically whether the Honourable Chief Justice has issued a directive in terms of rule 18(4) regarding the time periods within which the respondents are to file opposing papers. If a directive has not been issued, we respectfully enquire whether the Registrar's office could bring this correspondence to the attention of the Honourable Chief Justice.
8. We trust this letter will find your favourable consideration and thank you in advance for any assistance the Registrar's office can provide.

Yours Truly,



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