

# LAW CLINIC

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# DIRECTOR'S STATEMENT

Chrisna Landsberg

The Potchefstroom Law Clinic (hereinafter referred to as the Law Clinic) was officially established on 5 August 1981 and form part of the Faculty of Law of the North-West University.

The Law Clinic is an organisation committed to legal education and access to justice and operates in the Provinces of the North-West and Mpumalanga.

## The Law Clinic is involved with the following projects:

### Legal education:

- The practical legal training of final year law students within the LLB Programme of the NWU.
- Short courses involving legal practitioners, paralegals, social workers and others.
- Training to members of the communities within the areas where the Law Clinic operates.
- Training to School learners about their basic human rights.

### Legal aid services:

The Law Clinic renders free legal aid services to poor and indigent people through the following activities:

- Walk-in-clients at our offices situated in Potchefstroom.
- Walk-in-clients at the Ikageng satellite office of the Potchefstroom Magistrate's Court.
- Walk-in-clients at our offices situated in Nelspruit.
- Back-up legal services to communities at community-based paralegal advice offices situated in the North-West Province (North-

West Access to Justice Cluster).

- Back-up legal services to communities at community-based paralegal advice offices situated in the Mpumalanga Province (Mpumalanga Access to Justice Cluster).
- Legal representation to children in the North-West Province (Child Justice Unit).

### Advisory services:

The Law Clinic renders advisory services to community members to enhance a "rights based" community and to, instead of taking the law into their own hands, use the law to enforce their rights.

### Capacity building programmes:

These programmes are directed towards, *inter alia*, paralegals and members of the community to develop their legal skills and operational capacity to practice such skills in the communities where they operate.

Within these activities the Law Clinic co-operates with a number of organisations such as Legal Aid South Africa, government departments, provincial paralegal organisations, different NGO's and CBO's to be successful and to fulfil its purpose.

Furthermore, the Law Clinic receives funding from international and national donors, as described herein, to enable it to be involved in these activities. Without this funding the Law Clinic would not be able to conduct its activities.

Through its activities the Law Clinic wishes to improve the quality of life of the people in the Provinces of the North-West and Mpumalanga.



**CHRISNA LANDSBERG**

Director: Law Clinic

# EMPLOYED PERSONNEL

By the Law Clinic

## The Law Clinic employs the following personnel:

### Ms Chrisna Landsberg

Director  
Attorney  
Principal Attorney – Candidate Attorneys  
Lecturer – IURI 414, IURI 422

### Mrs Zaida Essop

Project Manager – Legal Services  
Attorney  
Principal Attorney – Candidate Attorneys  
Lecturer – IURI 414, IURI 422

### Mr Schalk Meyer

Project Manager – External Programmes  
Attorney  
Principal Attorney – Candidate Attorneys  
Lecturer – IURI 414, IURI 422

### Mrs Wilma Kasa

Project Manager – Mpumalanga Access  
to Justice Cluster  
Attorney

### Ms Boipelo Mosepele

Project Coordinator – Child Justice Unit  
Attorney  
Lecturer – IURI 414, IURI 422

### Mr Jean Viljoen

Project Coordinator – North-West  
Access to Justice Cluster  
Attorney  
Lecturer – IURI 414

### Ms Rose Teffo

Project Coordinator – North-West  
Access to Justice Cluster  
Attorney  
Lecturer – IURI 422

### Ms Nopasika Mnisi

Attorney  
Mpumalanga Access to Justice Cluster

### Mr Tonny Segodi

Attorney  
Mpumalanga Access to Justice Cluster

### Mr Phumlani Nkalanga

Attorney  
Mpumalanga Access to Justice Cluster

### Mrs Lizelle Du Pisani

Secretary to Director  
Financial Administration

### Mrs Willemien Smit

Administrative Assistant  
Legal Services, Students and Candidate  
Attorneys

### Ms Cheryl-Lee Koetaan

Receptionist and Office Administrator

### Mrs Rita Pretorius

Receptionist and Administrative  
Assistant  
Mpumalanga Access to Justice Cluster

### Dr Helanie Jonker

Secretary – School for Legal Practice

### Ms Johandri Wright

Candidate Attorney

### Ms Lizeri Boshoff

Candidate Attorney

### Mr Simphiwe Gosa

Candidate Attorney

### Mr Thabo Mohapi

Candidate Attorney

### Mr Tian de la Rey

Candidate Attorney

### Mrs Meshack Khali

Paralegal  
North-West Access to Justice Cluster &  
Presenter (workshops)

### Mr Patrick Makate

Paralegal  
North-West Access to Justice Cluster &  
Presenter (workshops)

### Mrs Maggie Matsane

Paralegal  
Mpumalanga Access to Justice Cluster

### Ms Salaminah Dikeledi Esau

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# LEGAL SERVICES

## Free legal services

The Law Clinic in Potchefstroom employs attorneys, candidate attorneys and paralegals to provide free legal services to poor and indigent people.

The Law Clinic also operates from a satellite office at the Ikageng satellite office of the Potchefstroom Magistrate's Court. This office is open from 09:00 to 13:00 from Mondays to Thursdays.

We offer students the opportunity to do community service at the Law Clinic for them to understand the social plight of the poor and marginalised members of the community. Students gain practical experience and make a meaningful contribution to the public.

### Students Assistants working at the Law Clinic are exposed to the following skills:

- Consultation with clients;
- Client file administration;
- Observation of court appearances of attorneys and candidate attorneys;
- Drafting correspondence;
- Research;
- Drafting pleadings;
- Observation of round table discussions of attorneys and candidate attorneys
- Preparing for court appearances with attorneys and candidate attorneys (strategic planning and analytic thinking skills).

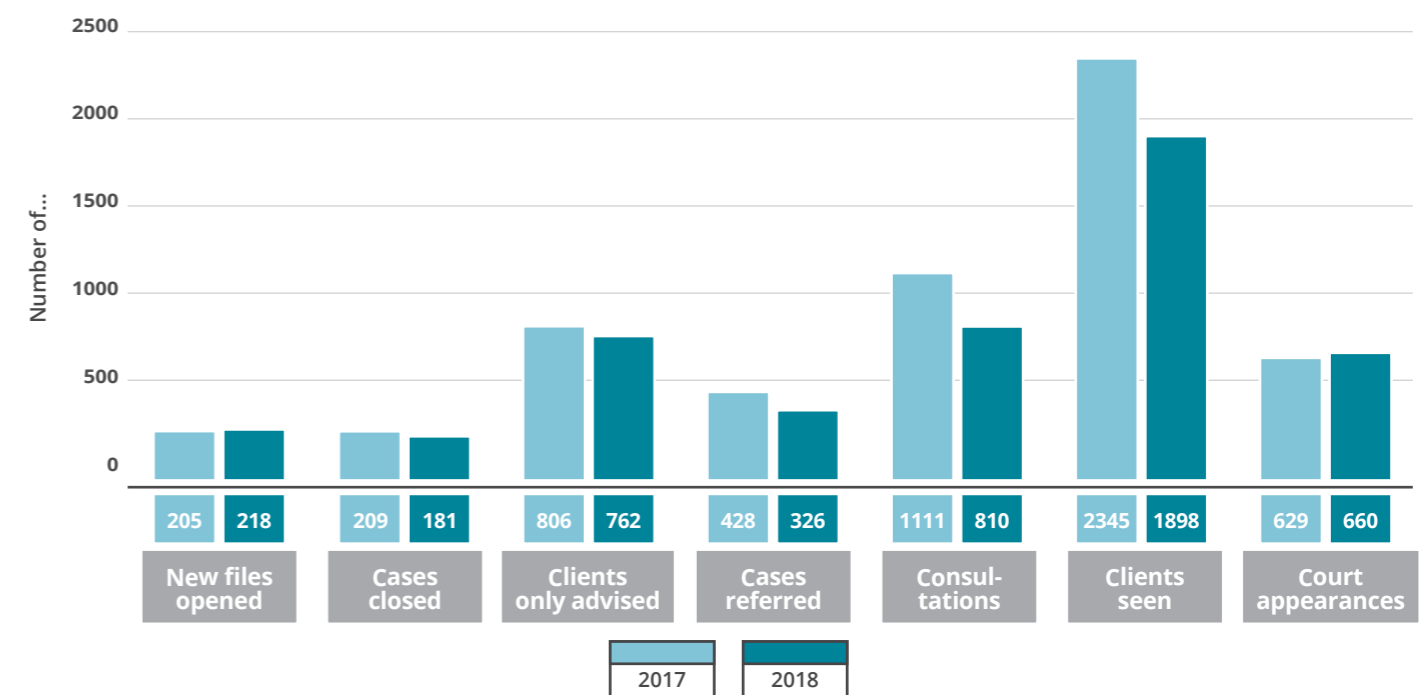
### We assist clients with the following:

- Civil matters
- Labour matters
- Evictions
- Maintenance Orders
- Divorce actions
- Children's Court
- Domestic violence
- Delict
- Division of Property
- Contract
- Money Claims
- Criminal
- Rehabilitation
- Mediation
- Spoliation

### Statistics for the law clinic for 01 January 2018 – 31 December 2018

Activity	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
No. of cases brought forward	122	136	133	120	133	129	125	141	155	158	158	157
No. of clients <b>advised</b> only	57	73	68	80	66	58	49	85	49	83	80	14
No. of cases <b>referred</b>	40	45	38	30	36	23	18	19	17	19	33	8
No. of <b>consultations</b>	89	99	70	72	59	59	42	57	58	71	91	43
Total no. of clients seen	186	217	176	182	161	140	109	161	124	173	204	65
No. of <b>new files</b> opened	20	13	14	21	13	16	18	23	19	19	24	18
No. of cases <b>closed</b>	6	16	27	8	17	20	2	9	16	19	25	16
No. of court appearances	43	49	41	51	44	59	65	59	59	65	83	42

### Comparison of statistics from 2017 to 2018:



# STUDENT TRAINING

Practical legal training

The Law Clinic places great emphasis on the practical legal training of our students. We believe that it is important for our students to have a good understanding of legal practice before they complete their degree. The Clinic

conducts two practical legal training courses for LLB students in their final year of study. These courses are compulsory for all final year law students at the Faculty of Law of the North West University.

## We present the following modules:

- IURI 414 (final year students, first semester) for which a total of 234 students registered for this module on the Potchefstroom Campus; and
- IURI 422 (final year students, second semester) for which a total of 228 students registered for this module on the Potchefstroom Campus.

lecture of a minimum of one hour per week, which amounts to approximately 10 hours per module.

Ms Ninette Crous and Ms Awelani Thangavhuelelo (Lecturers at the NWU, Faculty of Law) are responsible for the theoretical component of these subjects, whilst the legal practitioners of the Law Clinic are responsible for the practical training sessions. The entire Law Clinic team is involved with and committed to providing students with the opportunity to enhance their practical legal skills.

The students have to attend a practical session of two hours per week at the Law Clinic, amounting to approximately 20 hours per module. Students also have to attend a formal



Mrs Zaida Essop and Miss Rose Teffo acting as presiding officers during the first semester for the assessment of mock trials.

## Practical sessions include:

- Simulated consultations and how to take instructions from a client
- Professional and ethical conduct
- File management
- Drafting of correspondence
- Drafting of pleadings
- Case analysis, legal research and drafting a legal opinion
- First appearances and postponements
- Trial advocacy and court etiquette
- Civil litigation (action and application procedures)
- Alternate Dispute Resolution
- Divorce, Maintenance and Domestic Violence
- Parental rights and responsibilities
- Child Justice Act
- Bail applications
- Pleas
- Mock-trials and Moot Court
- Sentencing
- Drafting bill of costs

The module marks are compiled from the practical work done, as well as a written test and examination. The practical work constitutes 60% of the final mark.

We believe that students must be enabled to obtain knowledge in all the different career possibilities available to them in the legal profession. As part of the Law Clinic's initiative to give students the true feeling of practice in the real world, local Magistrates, Attorneys, Prosecutors, Advocates and other legal professionals are invited to give lectures. This, as well as the community service projects as set out below, enables students to actively engage with different legal practitioners and to make an appropriate career choice.

# Student Projects

## Community service projects for final year law students

The Law Clinic believes that students should be involved in community engagement as part of their preparation for the legal profession. Students are as such required to do 12 hours of community service in the field of law

per annum. As such students conduct their community service hours by taking part in one or more of the following activities of the Law Clinic:

### 1. Interaction with walk-in clients at the Law Clinic

During the first semester 93 of the students that were enrolled for IURI 414 and during the second semester 69 of the students that were enrolled for IURI 422, opted to become a student assistant at the Law Clinic and as such were exposed to the following learning activities:

- Consultation with clients;
- Client file administration;
- Observation of court appearances of attorneys and candidate attorneys;
- Drafting correspondence;
- Research;
- Drafting pleadings;
- Observation of round table discussions of attorneys and candidate attorneys
- Preparing for court appearances with attorneys and candidate attorneys (strategic planning and analytic thinking skills).

The students that took part in this activity conducted a combined total of 1 089 hours of community service for 2018.

### 2. Participation in the Magistrate's Court project

The Law Clinic implemented the Magistrate's Court project in cooperation with Chief Magistrate Leshomo and Magistrate Barnard of the Potchefstroom Magistrate's Court.

The students taking part in this project were allowed to sit in during hearings and trials taking place in the Potchefstroom and Ikageng Magistrate's Court and offered administrative support to the Magistrate and Clerk of the Court.

During the first semester 37 students enrolled for IURI 414 took part in this project and during the second semester 7 students enrolled for IURI 422 took part in this project.

The students that took part in this activity conducted a combined total of 347 hours of community service for 2018.

## 3. Community workshops

During April 2018 two students attended visits to community-based paralegal advice offices situated in Kanana (Orkney) and Jouberton (Klerksdorp) and assisted the attorney of the Law Clinic to conduct community workshops. The students that took part in this activity conducted a combined total of 17 hours of community service for 2018. Due to time constraints (students having to be out of Potchefstroom from 08:00 – 16:30) students could not take part in this project for the rest of the year.

In cooperation with STOP (Stop Trafficking of People), a registered non-profit organisation that aims to combat all aspects of human trafficking in South Africa, students were given the opportunity to present workshops to various schools situated in the Potchefstroom area. For the first semester 30 students and for the second semester 7 students took part in the STOP community project. The students who took part in this activity conducted a combined total of 189 hours of community service for 2018.

## 4. Participation in any other service-learning project identified by the PC Law Clinic

### 4.1 National Prosecuting Shadow Project

During the week of 25 to 29 June 2018 students were given the opportunity to attend court appearances with public prosecutors at the

Potchefstroom Magistrate's Court. 12 students took part in the project and assisted with the administrative tasks of the public prosecutors. Students contributed a combined total of 346 community service hours.

### 4.2 Prison Alert project

Students attended prison visits with attorneys and paralegals of the Law Clinic, as well as school learners. The students were required to present workshops to the school learners on topics identified by the Law Clinic. During the first semester 30 students and during the second semester 7 students took part in this activity. The students who took part in this activity conducted a combined total of 155 hours of community service for 2018.

### 4.3 Private law firms

Students were also allowed to do their community service hours at private law firms. The law firms were given guidelines detailing the type of activities the students should be involved in. The law firms were required to provide the Law Clinic with proof of the community service conducted. During 2018 102 students took part in this activity and conducted a combined total of 1 297.5 hours of community service for 2018.



# CHILD JUSTICE UNIT

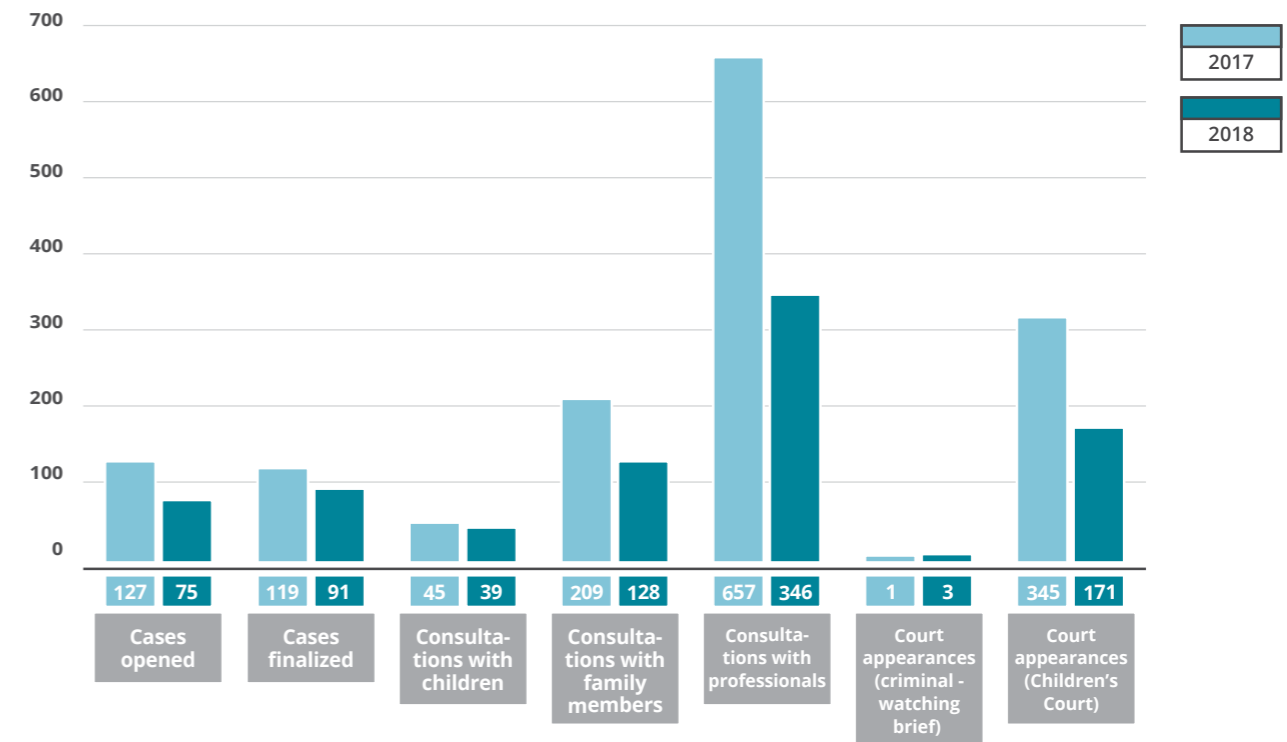
## Statistics for the CJU for 01 January 2018 – 31 December 2018

Activity	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
No. of <b>existing cases</b> (carried over)	80	84	80	72	78	75	74	72	78	77	81	65
No. of cases <b>opened</b>	5	6	11	8	13	2	5	12	2	5	4	2
No. of cases <b>finalized</b>	1	10	19	2	16	3	7	6	3	1	20	3
No. of cases <b>carried over to next month</b>	84	80	72	78	75	74	72	78	77	81	65	64
No. of <b>consultations with children</b> (telephonic and in person)	2	3	8	2	1	1	2	10	0	3	3	4
No. of <b>consultations with family members</b> (telephonic and in person)	13	12	13	15	27	10	5	21	2	3	3	4
No. of <b>consultations with professionals</b> (telephonic and in person)	57	29	38	26	25	36	25	46	11	9	31	13
No. of <b>court appearances</b> (criminal - watching brief)	1			1	1							
No. of <b>court appearances</b> (Children's Court)	9	28	26	15	8	15	7	22	3	11	19	8

The Child Justice Unit (CJU) was established in terms of a cooperation agreement with Legal Aid South Africa in July 2011 and has the following goals and objectives:

- Providing legal services to children
  - Litigation in the interest of the child
  - Mediation
  - Family Group Conferences
  - Pre-trial proceedings
- The encouragement and promotion of alternative dispute resolution in matters where children are involved.
- Providing legal opinions to social workers and Children's Courts.
- Research on children's rights.
- Encouragement and promotion of accessible and child friendly Children's Courts
- Provide training and education to social workers, children and the community with a focus on children's rights
- The development of collaborative partnerships with other organizations that share the vision of the CJU.
- Prevent or end gross human rights violations and promote positive change in policies or actions of government or relevant non-state actors in the area of human rights
- Educate and/or train human rights victims, workers or defenders
- Monitor, seek redress for and/or report on human rights violations, including supporting victims of human rights abuses
- Promote observance and implementation of international human rights standards
- Promote and strengthen national or regional human rights institutions or mechanisms

## Comparison of statistics from 2017 to 2018:



Currently there are 64 files on the CJU's database. In some of the cases more than one child are affected and being represented (i.e. brothers and sisters), therefore the CJU is on record for 85 children (30 male and 55 female) in total

## Training: 2018

Children, the community and social workers are trained and educated on promotion of children's rights, the legal processes involved in matters regarding children and the protection of children found to be in need of care and protection.

The topics for the workshops included: child neglect, parental rights and responsibilities, gender based violence and 16 days of activism against women and child abuse. A total number of 134 community members attended the workshops.

In November 2018 the CJU presented 6 community workshops to different communities in the North West Province as follows:

Dates	Venue	Attendees
02 Nov. 2018	Tlhoafalo	14
09 Nov. 2018	Orkney	15
09 Nov. 2018	Jouberton	24
12 Nov. 2018	Letlhabile	19
14 Nov. 2018	Leeudooringstad	33
14 Nov. 2018	Makwassie	29

## Nelson mandela day and 16 days of activism

For this year's Mandela Day outreach project, the CJU in collaboration with the NWU Faculty of Law collected toiletries and comfort packs for the Thutuzela Care Centres in Potchefstroom and Mahikeng. On 27 July 2018 the CJU handed over the donations received at the Thutuzela Care Centre in Potchefstroom.

Court, visited Abram Kriel Child and Youth Care Centre in Potchefstroom on 31 July 2018, during which staff assisted with serving lunch to the children and were taken on a tour of the children's home.

In November 2018, the CJU were contacted to again assist with the provision of comfort packs to victims at the Thutuzela Care Centre in Potchefstroom. Donations were received from staff members of the NWU Faculty of Law and the handover of the comfort packs took place on 7 December 2018.

On 28 November 2018, the CJU donated baby clothes to Vessels of Mercy, an NGO situated in Ikageng that takes in abandoned babies and children that were removed from harmful circumstances.

The CJU, in collaboration with the Chief Magistrate of the Potchefstroom Magistrates'

The CJU and Vessels of Mercy plan to collaborate more in 2019, to raise awareness in the Potchefstroom community about the services that the NGO renders.



Ms Mosepele and staff members from the Law Clinic delivered comfort packs to the Thutuzela Care Centre in Potchefstroom.



Ms Mosepele and two of the candidate attorneys from the Law Clinic serving lunch to the children of Abraham Kriel Child and Youth Care Centre, Potchefstroom.



Ms Mosepele, Place of Safety parent and Susan Fouche, founder of Vessels of Mercy, with donations for the Place of Safety house situated in Ikageng, Potchefstroom.

# OUTREACH PROJECTS

## North-West Access to Justice Cluster

The Law Clinic, in co-operation with Legal Aid South Africa and various NGO's and CBO's operates an Access to Justice Cluster in the North-West Province.

The cluster is a co-operation between various legal service providers and other organisations with the aim of providing access to justice and services to poor and marginalised people in rural and remote areas.

The main activities of the cluster include back-up legal services to paralegal advice offices, community workshops, networking and advocacy. The Law Clinic is acting as the secretariat of the NWAJC and handles all the administration and financial management of the Cluster.



### Back-up legal services

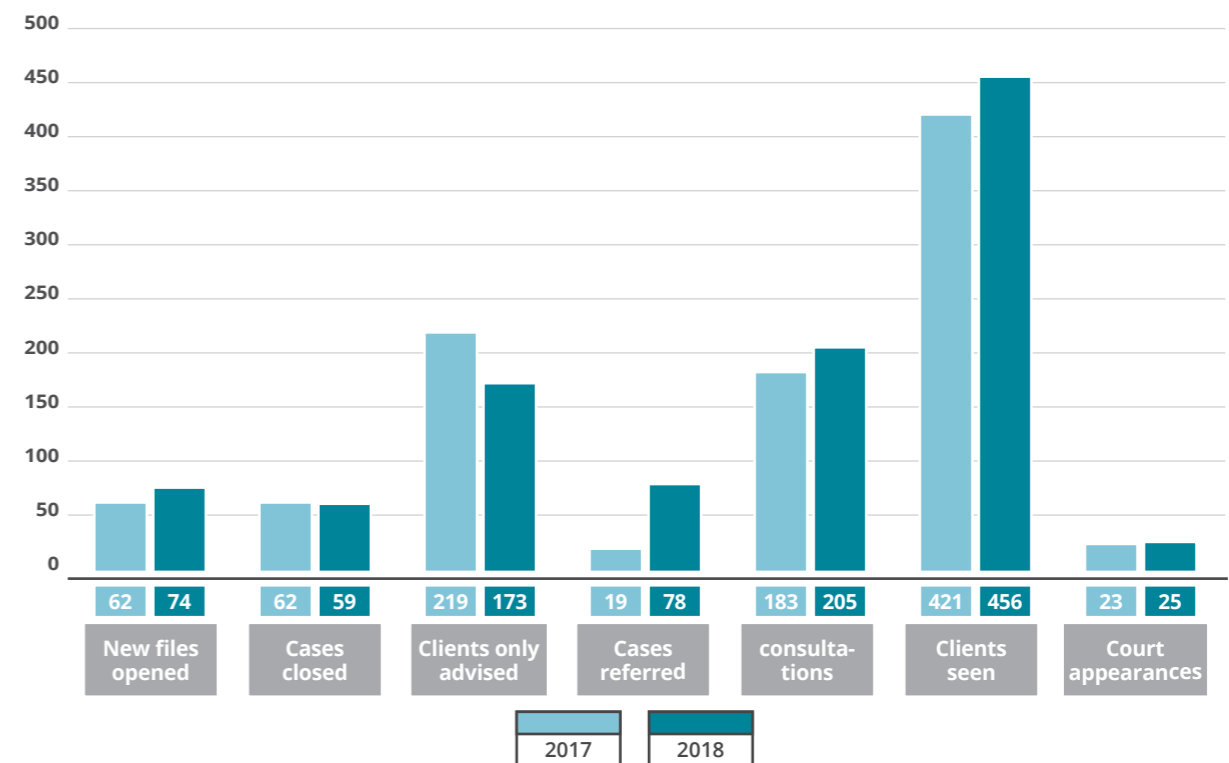
In 2018 the Law Clinic provided back-up legal services from to 10 community-based paralegal advice offices, namely: Bojanala, Jouberton, Lebaleng, Leeudoringstad, Lethabong Dropping Centre, Letlhabile, Jericho, Orkney, Boikhutso and Boikhutsong.

In the case where a file is opened the paralegals assist in obtaining outstanding information from the client, and forward it to the Law Clinic. The paralegals also play an important role in providing feedback to clients when it is difficult to reach them.

## Statistics of the NWAJC for 01 January 2018 – 31 December 2018

Activity	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
No of cases brought forward	58	66	82	79	74	73	69	65	67	72	75	76
No of clients advised only	1	53	2	19	2	31	0	28	2	0	32	3
No of cases referred	0	1	1	10	0	17	1	20	2	0	26	0
No of consultations	0	37	10	33	5	36	7	24	5	8	37	3
Total no of clients seen	1	91	13	62	7	84	8	72	9	8	95	6
No of new files opened	14	22	0	1	3	1	2	3	12	6	7	3
No of cases closed	6	6	3	6	4	5	6	1	7	3	6	6
No of court appearances	2	1	1	1	3	0	1	0	4	3	8	1
No of mediations / round tables	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0

## Comparison of statistics from 2017 to 2018:



## Community workshops

The aim of the community workshops presented by the Law Clinic is to raise awareness within communities regarding basic human rights and responsibilities. These workshops are held at traditional and / or community-based paralegal advice offices throughout the North-West Province and aim to build capacity within the communities and paralegals of these traditional and/or community-based paralegal advice offices.

During this reporting period, the Law Clinic held 24 community workshops, reaching a total number of 495 members of the community.

The workshop themes were: domestic violence, maintenance, eviction, human rights, customary marriages, matrimonial consequences of marrying in and out of community of property, the administration of deceased estates, intestate succession, Unemployment Insurance Fund, pension and/or provident funds, Compensation for Occupational Injuries and Diseases Act, Road Accident Fund claims, children and women rights, child neglect, awareness about 16 days of activism of no violence against women and children and parental rights and responsibilities.

Dates	Venue	Attendees
17 Apr. 2018 12 Jun. 2018 17 Aug. 2018 14 Nov. 2018	Leeudorings-tad	99
17 Apr. 2018 12 Jun. 2018 14 Nov. 2018	Makwassie	60
14 Jun. 2018 9 Nov. 2018	Jouberton	31
16 March 2018 14 Jun. 2018 9 Nov. 2018	Orkney	64

Dates	Venue	Attendees
4 Jun. 2018 12 Nov. 2018	Letlhabile	34
5 Apr. 2018 7 Jun. 2018 13 Nov. 2018	Lethabong	37
4 Apr. 2018 19 Jun. 2018 28 Aug. 2018 05 Dec. 2018	Boikhutso	46
19 Jun. 2018	Boikhutsong	89
21 Aug. 2018 2 Nov. 2018	Tlhoafalo	35

## School workshops

During 2018, the Law Clinic presented 2 workshops to Grade 9 and 10 school learners of Boitshoko and Tlokwe Secondary Schools. The topics discussed during the workshops focused on children's rights and responsibilities, including sexual assault.

## Prison alert project

The Prison Alert Project aims to prevent crime within the community and to raise awareness amongst school learners of the consequences of engaging in criminal activities.

School learners from various schools within the Potchefstroom area were taken to the Potchefstroom Remand Detention (previously unknown as Wilgeboom Correctional Services) situated outside of Potchefstroom for a one day visit. The learners are taken on a tour inside the prison and prisoners give motivational speeches to the learners to achieve the goals of the project. Final year law students are also involved in this project.

Date of Excursion	Name of School	Number of School Learners	Number of Law Students
02 May 2018 04 May 2018	Resolofetse Secondary	56	1
09 May 2018	Tlokwe Secondary	28	4
16 May 2018 18 May 2018	Promosa Secondary	56	8
23 May 2018 25 May 2018	Boitshoko Secondary	56	13
30 May 2018	Seobi Secondary	20	4
18 July 2018	Seiphemelo Secondary	28	5
20 July 2018	Seiphemelo Secondary	28	6
		272	41



The NWAJC Project Coordinator: Ms Teffo, The Correctional Service Officer: Mr Kelapologile, Law Clinic personnel: Mr Makate and Mr Khali, and Final year NWU law students at Potchefstroom Remand Detention Correctional Services.

## Mpumalanga Access to Justice Cluster

The Law Clinic, in co-operation with Legal Aid South Africa and various NGO's and CBO's operates an Access to Justice Cluster in Mpumalanga.

The cluster is a co-operation between various legal service providers and other organisations with the aim of providing access to

justice and services to poor and marginalised people in rural and remote areas. The main activities of the cluster include back-up legal services to paralegal advice offices, community workshops, networking and advocacy.



### BACK-UP LEGAL VISITS

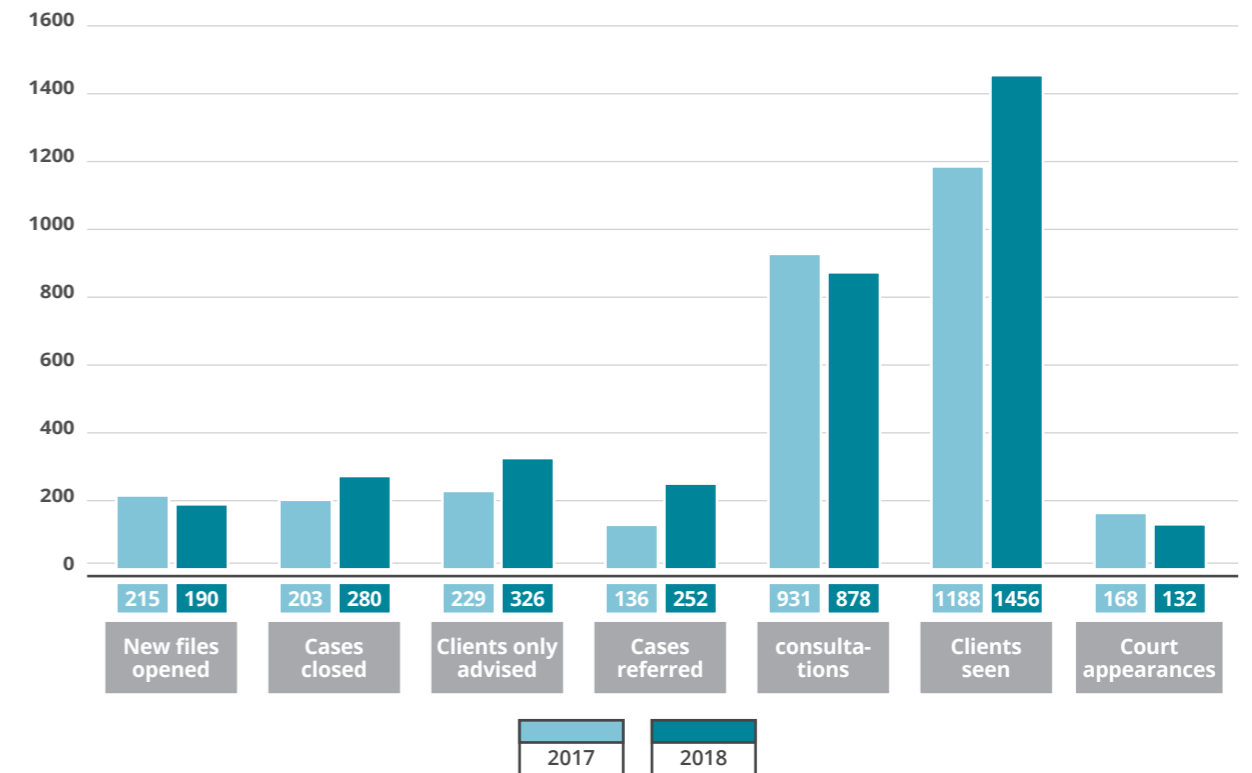
The Mpumalanga Access to Justice Cluster provides back-up legal services to the following community-based paralegal advice offices:

- Masisikumeni (Tonga)
- Ukuthula (Kwaggafontein)
- Leandra
- Buhlabelo (Bushbuckridge)
- Kwa-Guqa (Witbank)
- Nkomazi

### Statistics of the MAJC for 01 January 2018 – 31 December 2018

Activity	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
No of cases brought forward	219	226	221	208	206	196	170	153	127	117	122	132
No of new files opened	28	19	9	16	17	19	5	19	13	18	23	4
No of cases closed	21	24	22	18	27	45	22	45	23	13	13	7
No of clients advised only	29	25	26	33	34	36	33	24	20	27	30	9
No of cases referred	24	23	16	29	23	29	27	21	18	21	16	5
No of consultations	98	76	95	68	90	88	67	68	60	81	59	28
Total no of clients seen	151	124	137	130	147	153	127	113	95	129	105	42
No of court appearances	15	13	12	7	10	15	14	6	9	13	11	7

### Comparison of statistics from 2017 to 2018:



# SHORT COURSES

## Legal Education and Access to Justice

The Law Clinic is committed to legal education and access to justice. As a result the Law Clinic has developed and conducts a number of Short Learning Programmes and / or Short Courses which have been registered at the North-West University.

The Law Clinic offers the following Short Learning Programmes and / or Short Courses to paralegals, administrative staff, candidate attorneys and attorneys:

1. Introductory Short Learning Programme for Paralegals (Phase I) (T33 100 1)
2. Advanced Short Learning Programme for Paralegals (Phase II) (T34 100 1)
3. Short Learning Programme on Basic Legal Training for Administrative Staff (T53 100 1)
4. Short Learning Programme on Mediation Skills for Paralegals (T50 100 1)
5. Short Learning Programme on Alternative Dispute Resolution for Paralegals (T52 100 1)
6. Short Learning Programme on the Children's Act for Paralegals (T54 100 1)
7. Short Learning Programme on the Consumer Protection Act for Paralegals (T49 100 1)
8. Short Learning Programme on the Law of Contract for Paralegals (T48 100 1)
9. Short Learning Programme on Labour Law for Attorneys (T51 100 1)
10. Short Learning Programme on the Consumer Protection Act for Attorneys (T55 100 1)
11. Short Course on Administration of Estates (T81 100 1)
12. Short Learning Programme on Legal Aspects of Governance and Compliance (T84 100 1)
13. Introductory Short Course on Legal Aspects of Governance and Compliance (J19 100 1)
14. Short Course on Community Engagement and Access to Justice (J20 100 1)

These courses are offered mainly to organisations whose primary aim is to improve the realisation of access to justice to poor and marginalised members of the community.

## Training conducted

The Law Clinic presented the Short Course on Community Engagement and Access to Justice (J20 100 1) to paralegals in the employ of Legal Aid South Africa at the following training instances:

Regions	Venue	Date	Number of attendees	Number of days
KwaZulu-Natal	KZN Provincial Office, Pinetown	15-16 Jan. 2018	20	2
Free State	FS Provincial Office, Bloemfontein	12-13 Feb. 2018	29	2
Eastern Cape	EC Provincial Office, Port Elizabeth	12-13 Mar. 2018	24	2
Gauteng	GP Provincial Office, Lyttleton	30-31 Jul. 2018	17	2
Mpumalanga	MP Provincial Office, Polokwane	13-14 Aug. 2018	30	2
Western Cape	WC Provincial Office, Stellenbosch	27-28 Aug. 2018	20	2
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The Law Clinic presented the 1-day Introductory Short Course on Legal Aspects of Governance and Compliance (J19 100 1) to community-based paralegals, management committee and staff members of community-based paralegal advice offices as follows:

Regions	Venue	Date	Number of attendees	Number of days
KwaZulu-Natal	Pietermaritzburg	17 Jan. 2018	31	1
	Diaconia Centre, Durban	29 May 2018	17	1
Gauteng	Orange Farm Human Rights Advice Centre	01 Feb. 2018	25	1
	Mabopane Skills Centre	28 May 2018	27	1
Free State	Bethlehem Town Hall	11 Apr. 2018	32	1
	Phomolong, Hennenman	24 Apr. 2018	32	1
Western Cape	Beaufort West	05 Jun. 2018	16	1
West Coast	Citrusdal	13 Nov. 2018	19	1
	Malmesbury	14 Nov. 2018	8	1
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The Law Clinic presented the following courses to community-based paralegals during the Dullah Omar School held from 8 to 12 October 2018 at the City Stay Hotel in Johannesburg:

Short course / short learning programme	Number of attendees	Number of days
Introductory Short Learning Programme for Paralegals (T33 100 1)	31	5
Advanced Short Learning Programme for Paralegals (T34 100 1)	22	5
Short Learning Programme on Mediation Skills (T50 100 1)	16	5
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# SCHOOL FOR LEGAL PRACTICE

The Faculty of Law of the North-West University host the School for Legal Practice for the North-West Province in association with the Law Society of South Africa (LSSA) and other major role players in the legal profession. The Law Clinic acts as the secretariat and is responsible for the financial administration of the School for Legal Practice.

The School for Legal Practice is situated on the Potchefstroom Campus of the North-West University and caters mainly for law graduates of the North-West University. The medium of instruction is English in order to accommodate learners from other provinces.

Students who complete the school programme may apply to the High Court of South Africa for a one-year reduction from their articles and may write the Attorneys Admission Examination immediately after completion of the school programme.

The school is administered as prescribed by the Policy Statement of the LSSA and students are issued with the training material developed by the LSSA. Assessment is also in accordance

with the Policy Statement. Instructors are appointed annually from legal practitioners with appropriate experience in a specific legal field.

39 Students were enrolled in the School for Legal Practice during 2018.

## The module programme includes the following subjects:

- Constitutional Court Practice
- Criminal Court Practice
- Magistrate's Court Practice
- High Court Practice
- Legal Costs
- Professional Ethics
- Wills, Estates and Trusts
- Personal Injury Claims
- Commercial Contracts
- Labour Dispute Resolution
- Matrimonial Matters and Divorce
- Attorneys Bookkeeping
- Alternative Dispute Resolution
- Cyber Law
- Trial Advocacy

# INVOLVEMENT IN OTHER PROJECTS

## South African University Law Clinic Association (SAULCA)

(formerly known as the Association of University Legal Aid Institutions (AULAI))

SAULCA is a voluntary association of all South African university law clinics, established in approximately 1982 to promote and protect the interests, values and goals of its members. SAULCA's vision is to be a professional and efficient organisation committed to democratic values and human rights, and dedicated to promoting excellence in clinical legal education and access to justice.

The Director, Ms Chrisna Landsberg and Mr Schalk Meyer serve on the Executive Committee of SAULCA.

## AULAI Trust

AULAI Trust is a fund created for the benefit of all university based legal aid & clinical legal educational institutions in South Africa.

The Law Clinic forms part of the AULAI Trust cluster programme and as such manages two clusters, namely the Mpumalanga Access to Justice Cluster and the North-West Access to Justice Cluster.

Mr Schalk Meyer, is the Programme Manager for the Trust, and the Law Clinic handles the programme management of the Trust.

## Legal Aid South Africa

The Law Clinic has two cooperation agreements with Legal Aid South Africa, one for the provision of legal assistance to children (the Child Justice Unit) and another for the provision of access to justice to the poor and marginalised people in rural and remote areas in the Mpumalanga province (the Mpumalanga Access to Justice Cluster).

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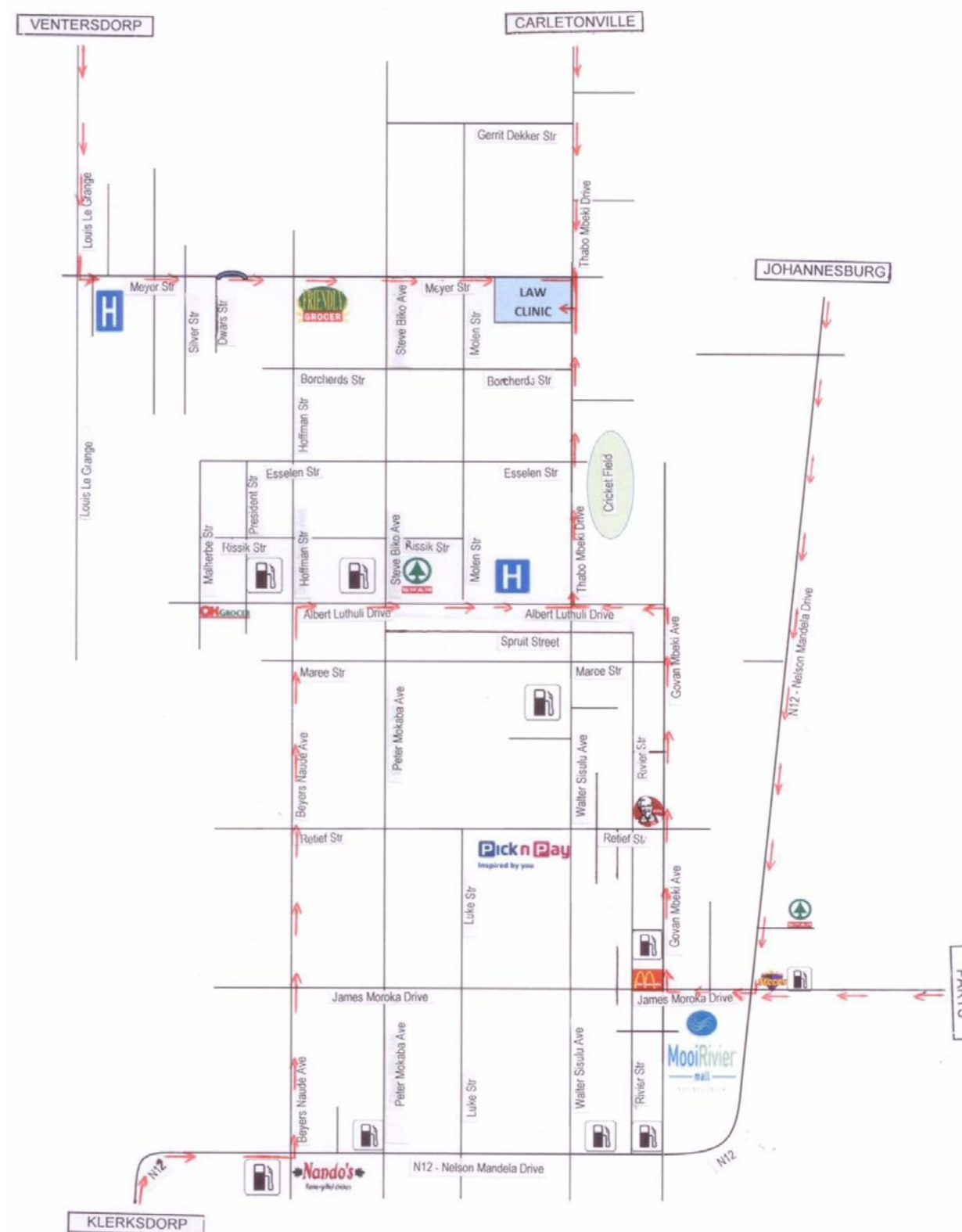
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## Map to the Law Clinic





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