

LEGAL PRACTICE COUNCIL

NOTICE 506 OF 2021

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THE SOUTH AFRICAN LEGAL PRACTICE COUNCIL ("THE COUNCIL")

NOTICE IN TERMS OF SECTION 95 (4) OF THE LEGAL PRACTICE ACT, 28 OF 2014 ("THE ACT")

Notice is hereby given that the Council intends to amend the Rules of the Council made under the authority of Sections 95(1), 95(3) and 109(2) of the Legal Practice Act, 28 of 2014 (as amended).

Explanatory Note

Words in bold type square brackets [] indicate proposed deletions from the existing Rules.

Words in bold and underlined with a solid line indicate proposed insertions to the existing Rules.

Amendment of Rule 22.1.4.2

22.1.4.2 **[A court] Council** may, on the application of a candidate attorney in any case -

22.1.4.2.1 where the principal refuses to grant the candidate attorney leave of absence from office; or

22.1.4.2.2 where the period of absence from office exceeds, or the periods of absence from the office in the aggregate exceed, thirty working days in any one year of the practical vocational training contract

[grant an order authorizing] authorize leave of absence from office for the period in question, if **[the court] Council** is satisfied that the principal and the Council received due notice of the application and that sufficient cause for the absence exists or existed, as the case may be.

Notice In terms of Section 95(4)(a) of the Act, interested persons are called upon to comment to the Council in writing on the draft amendments.

All comments must be sent by email to rules@lpc.org.za by no later than 27 September 2021.

Signed at Midrand on the 19th day of August 2021

Ms K Matolo – Dlepu

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