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## **NOTICE TO LEGAL PRACTITIONERS**

Dear Legal Practitioners,

It has come to the attention of the Free State Provincial Council that there are legal practitioners who have not submitted their audit reports in terms of Rule 54.23 of the Rules of Council. Firms must ensure that their audit reports are submitted no later than six months after their financial year end. Trust account practitioners who do not submit unqualified audit reports will not be able to apply for Fidelity Fund Certificates (FFC).

Practitioners are reminded that in terms of Section 93 (8) of the LPA it is a criminal offence to practice without a FFC and such practitioner is upon conviction liable to be struck from the roll.

Legal practitioners are advised to immediately comply with the requirements of the Act.

### **Legal Practice Council - Free State Provincial Office**

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