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ABBREVIATED CURRICULUM VITAE 2025

QUALIFICATIONS AND CAREER

Matric	Grey College Bloemfontein	1969
M.B.,B.Ch.	Witwatersrand University	1975
Internship	Bloemfontein Academic Hospitals	1976
Medical Officer	SADF National Service	2 yrs
Neurosurgical Medical Officer /Registrar	Princess, Old Johannesburg General and Baragwanath Hospitals	2 yrs
Private General Practice	Parys-Kimberley-Sandton	1981 - 1990
Neurosurgical Registrar	Johannesburg and Baragwanath Hospitals	1990 - 1992
FCS Neurosurgery	South African College of Medicine	1992
Consultant Neurosurgeon and Lecturer	Johannesburg Hospital and Witwatersrand University Medical School	1993 - 1994
Private Neurosurgical and Medico-legal Practice	Johannesburg and Sandton (Neurosurgical Operative Practice ceased in 2008)	1993 - current
CIME	American Board of Independent Medical Examiners	2009
Appeal Tribunal Member/Chair	HPCSA	2012 – 2016
Accredited Mediator	UCT/MiM	2016
Medical Mediator	Johannesburg	2017 - current

CURRENT MEMBERSHIPS / PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Covid-19 – SA “Vaccine” Injury Medico-Legal Study-Group (SAVIMS) – Chairperson

South African Medico-Legal Association (SAMLA) - Honorary Life Member

Association for the Protection of Road Acciident Victims (APRAV) Solutions Task Team
Medical Committee – Chairperson

Society of Neurosurgeons of South Africa (SNSA)

South African Spine Society (SASS)

Colleges of Medicine of South Africa (CMSA)

South African Medical Association (SAMA) – Life Membership

PREVIOUS AND OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Covid-19 – “Vaccine” Injury Medico-Legal Interest Group – Founder

Covid-19 – Pandemics Data & Analytics (PANDA)

Road Accident Fund – Leader of Mediation Pilot Project obo SAMLA – 2020 to 2022

South African Medico-Legal Association (SAMLA) – Director 2005 to 2020 (Exco
Portfolios: Deputy Chairperson - Faculty Principal – Mediation – Clinical Negligence –
Administration – Communication)

International Society for Therapeutic Jurisprudence

Medical Mediators SA – Co-Founder / Deputy Chairperson

South African Medico-Legal Coalition Task Team – Co-Founder and Peer Review Standing
Committee Chairperson

International Ethics Research Project – Dr W Moore – Stellenbosch University Faculty of
Medicine and Health Sciences

Regular Attendance at Congresses, Instructional Courses, Seminars and Meetings of Various
Professional Societies and Associations

South African Clinical Neuropsychological Association (SACNA) – Associate Member and
Regular Invited Speaker

Lectures to Nursing Staff at Milpark-, Sunninghill-and Kenridge Hospitals

Wits / Donald Gordon Medical Centre Accredited Practitioner and Lecturer

Advanced Trauma Life Support (ATLS) Instructor

Sunninghill Hospital Medical Ethics Committee

Founder/Director of MediCity Kimberley Private Hospital

Member of Kimberley Provincial Hospital Medical Committee

Secretary of Griqualand West Branch of Medical Association of SA

Treasurer of Students Medical Council University of the Witwatersrand

Chairman of Men's Residence House Committee University of the Witwatersrand

PUBLICATIONS

PER - The Road Accident Fund And Serious Injuries: The Narrative Test – Slabbert & Edeling (2012)

SAMJ – HPCSA Guidelines to The Narrative Test – Edeling, Mabuya, Engelbrecht, Rosman & Birrell (2013)

OBITER - Serious Injury Claims Rejected By The Road Accident Fund: The Appeal Process – Slabbert & Edeling. (Accepted for publication in Volume 1 - June 2016)

SELECTED APPOINTMENTS / ARTICLES / PRESENTATIONS / SUBMISSIONS

HPCSA Professional Conduct Inquiry – Zowa v Vosloo – Ref No MP 0762377/ 230411-000133 – Expert Witness – 2024

Covid-19 – CCMA – Mugavazi v Standard Bank – Case No GAJB13775-22 – Expert Witness – 2023

Covid-19 – FASA (Freedom Alliance of South Africa) v Minister of Health, SAHPRA, Pfizer and 20 Others Respondents – Case No 2023-027571 – Founding Affidavit – Expert Witness – 2023 - current

Covid-19 – Multiple Medico-Legal Reports (re Negligence, Causation & Disability) iro C-19 Vaccine Injuries – 2022 - current

Covid-19 – CCMA – Okouma v University of Rhodes – Case Ref ECPE3119-22 – Expert Witness – 2022 - 2023

Road Accident Fund (RAF) – Stakeholder Roundtable Meetings – Invited Panellist – 2022

Covid-19 – SA Rugby MyPlayers – Vaccine Mandates/Efficacy/Safety – Invited Panellist – 2022

Covid-19 – Vaccine Efficacy – Analysis of Factual and Scientific Medical Evidence – Author – 2022

Covid-19 – Truth Conference – Invited Panellist – 2022

Covid-19 – SA VAERS Presentation to KZN SACP – Invited Panellist – 2022

Covid-19 – World Council for Health – Understanding Vaccine Causation Conference – Invited Panellist – 2022

Covid-19 – SA VAERS Presentation to KZN Provincial Legislature – Invited Panellist – 2022

Covid-19 – Ministerial Appointment to Appeal Committee ito Section 24A of Medicines and Related Substances Act – Free the Children v SAHPRA – 2022

Covid-19 – Free State for Choice v University of the Free State – Case No 131/2022 – Expert Witness – 2022

Covid-19 – Vaccine Mandates – Medical Analysis With Reference to Criteria Specified in Section 36 of the Bill of Rights of the SA Constitution – Author – 2022

Covid-19 – Regular Scientific Online Meetings – 2021 - current

Covid-19 – Various Radio and TV Interviews – 2021 - current

Covid-19 – Medical Advisor to National Employers Association of SA – 2021

Covid-19 – ACDP and Others v Minister of Health and Others – Case No 55070/2021 – Expert Witness – 2021

Covid-19 – Pan African Bar Association of SA (PABASA) Webinar – Invited Panellist – 2021

Covid-19 – Hope 2021 Indaba – Invited Panellist – 2021

Covid-19 – Sakeliga KragDag – Ethical Perspectives – Invited Panellist– 2021

Covid-19 Pandemic – Health and Economic Crises – Open Letter to the RSA Minister of Health – Author – 2021

Covid-19 Pandemic – Health and Economic Crises – Open Letter to President Ramaphosa – Author – 2021

Covis-19 – The Good News about Covid-19 – Author – 2021

Covid-19 – Televised Debate – Elephant in the Room – Invited Panellist – 2021

Covid-19 – Blind Faith or Open Minds – Critical Thinking in Times of Crisis – Author – 2021

Educational Psychology Association of South Africa (EPASSA) - 2021 - Invited Speaker
 “The Educational Psychologist Working As A Medico-Legal Expert – Traumatic Brain Injury”

University of the 3rd Age (U3A) - 2020 - Invited Speaker “South African Medico-Legal Overview & Developments”

SAMLA Guidelines and Protocol for Mediation of RAF Personal Injury Disputes – Author

SAMLA Medical Mediation Pilot Project Plan – Co-Author

SAMLA Guidelines and Protocol for Medical Mediation – Co-Author

SAMLA Seminars and Expert Witness Training Workshops – Regular Presenter and Syndicate Leader

SAMLA Mock Trials – Regular Participant (Commentator – Expert Witness)

MD-INK Symposium - 2019 - “Monitoring & Eradicating Medical Errors”

Chris Hani Baragwanath Hospital Academic Day Ethics - 2019 - Invited Speaker “Medicolegal Pearls”

Educational Psychology Association of South Africa (EPASSA) - 2019 - Invited Speaker “Traumatic Brain Injuries - What the Educational Psychologist Needs to Know”

Pretoria Advanced Advocacy Training Workshop 2018 – Expert Witness

Parliamentary Portfolio Committee on Transport 2018 – Submissions on RABS (Road Accident Benefit Scheme) Bill

Society for Educational Psychologists in SA (SEPSA) - PsySSA Congress – “The role of the Educational Psychologist in medico-legal work - Head injuries with TBI (traumatic brain injury) in Children”

Society for Industrial & Organisational Psychology SA (SIOPSA) 2018 – Invited Speaker “TBI (traumatic brain injury)”

Gauteng DoH – Medico-Legal Advisor 2017 - 2018 (Patient Safety / Litigation / Peer Review / Mediation)

University of South Africa (UNISA) - 2017 - External Examiner for LLD Thesis

Clinix Annual Doctor’s Conference 2017 – Invited Speaker “Clinical Negligence and Ethics”

Conflict Dynamics – Training Course on Mediation Skills for Medical Negligence and Personal Injury Claims 2017 – Participant

National DoH – Contantia – Hogan Lovells - Medical Malpractice Workshop 2017 – Panel 1 Chairperson

Medical Mediation Showcase 2016 – SAMLA / Conflict Dynamics – Developer/Chair

ANC Legal Research Group – 2016 - Workshop on Medical Negligence and Bleeding of the Public Purse 2016 – Invited Participant

COMOC 2016 (Combined Orthopaedic Associations Congress) – “Negligence In Spinal Surgery - How To Stay Out Of Trouble With The Law – Ethics”

Lecture to UP - MPHIL: PBL 812 (Medical Law And Ethics) “Drafting of Medical Malpractice Reports”

Lectures to Gauteng Department of Health - 2016 - “Avoidance of Medical Negligence”

National Department of Health (DoH) – 2015 - 2016 – Written Submissions to Medico Legal Summit – Rapporteur of Patient Safety Commission – Submissions obo SAMLA Board to Ministerial Task Team

South African Clinical Neuropsychological Association (SACNA) Conference - 2014 - Presentations on “Assessment of mTBI (mild traumatic brain injury)” - “Assessment of PTA (post-traumatic amnesia)”

Road Accident Fund (RAF) - 2014 - Invited Proposals for List of Serious Head Injuries

Minister of Transport - 2014 - Comment on Draft RABS Bill obo SAMLS

IIR – Medical Malpractice Conference – 2013 – “RAF4 Legislation, Narrative Test, Appeal Tribunal Guidelines, Malpractice by Medical Experts”

Affidavits to Constitutional Court - 2009 & 2010 - LSSA & Others v Minister of Transport - RAF Amendment Act (Medical Tariffs)

Medical Association of Namibia Congress - 2007 - Invited Speaker “Multidisciplinary Disability Assessment” and “The Expert Witness”

Department of Transport Regulatory Steering Committee - 2006 - Serious Injury Assessment Proposals

Society of Neurosurgeons of South Africa (SNSA) and South African Spine Society (SASS) – Spinal Surgery Risks Survey - 2005 - Article on Whiplash Injuries

MEDICO-LEGAL EXPERIENCE

Medico-Legal Reports > 4000

Pre-Trial Expert Meetings > 1350

Meetings with Counsel > 800

Expert Evidence in Court > 250 matters

Mediations 39