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**DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE AND CONSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

NO. 406

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**MAGISTRATES' COURTS ACT, 1944 (ACT NO. 32 OF 1944): INTENTION TO  
CREATE MAGISTERIAL DISTRICTS AND ESTABLISH DISTRICT COURTS IN THE  
EASTERN CAPE PROVINCE AS PART OF THE RATIONALISATION OF  
MAGISTERIAL DISTRICTS**

The Minister of Justice and Correctional Services Adv. Tshililo Michael Masutha, (MP) intends, in terms of section 2(1)(a), (f), (h), (j), (k) and (l) of the Magistrates' Courts Act, 1944 (Act No. 32 of 1944) read with section 6 of Schedule 6 to the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa, 1996 to:

- (a) create, in respect of the areas mentioned in Column "A" of Schedule 1, magisterial districts as reflected under Column "B" of Schedule 1 and declare that those magisterial districts be known by the names referred to in the said Column "B";
- (b) detach portions of the magisterial districts under column "B" of Schedule 1 to form areas of jurisdiction of detached courts for sub-districts as reflected under column "E" of Schedule 1 and declare that those sub-districts be known by the names referred to in the said Column "E";
- (c) establish, for the districts mentioned under Column "B" of Schedule 1 and sub-districts under Column "E" of Schedule 1, courts as reflected under Columns "C" and "F" of Schedule 1 for the purpose of—
  - (i) the trial of persons accused of committing any offences which shall have jurisdiction contemplated in section 89 and 92 of the Magistrates' Courts Act, 1944; and
  - (ii) adjudication of civil disputes contemplated in section 29(1) of the Magistrates' Courts Act, 1944;
- (d) specify, in respect of each district mentioned under Column "C" of Schedule 1, seats of the magistracy as reflected under Column "D" of Schedule 1;

- (e) appoint, in respect of the sub-districts mentioned under Column "E" of Schedule 1, places for holding of the Detached Courts as reflected under Column "F" of Schedule 1;
- (f) define, in respect of each district mentioned under Column "B" of Schedule 1, local limits as reflected in the published maps ;
- (g) define, in respect of each detached court mentioned under Column "E" of Schedule 1, the area of jurisdiction of the sub-districts concerned as reflected under the published maps;
- (h) appoint, within the districts mentioned under Column "B" of Schedule 1 and sub-districts mentioned under Column "E" of Schedule 1, places for the holding of a court and periodical courts as reflected under Column "G" of Schedule 1;
- (i) declare that the periodical courts mentioned under Column "F" of Schedule 1, shall exercise jurisdiction over the same area of jurisdiction of the districts or sub-districts; and

The maps which illustrate the magisterial districts and appointment of places for the holding of a court as reflected in the attached Schedules may be accessed on the website of the Department at the following address:  
<http://www.justice.gov.za/maps/maps.html>

Comments regarding the proposed districts, sub-districts and appointment of courts and places for the holding of a court may be submitted in writing on or before 15 May 2018 to the following address: The Director General, Department of Justice and Constitutional Development. Private Bag X81, Pretoria. 0001 for the attention of Mr. M Moagi; email. [makmoagi@justice.gov.za](mailto:makmoagi@justice.gov.za).

## SCHEDULE 1: (EASTERN CAPE PROVINCE)

COLUMN A	COLUMN B	COLUMN C	COLUMN D	COLUMN E	COLUMN F	COLUMN G
AREA	PROPOSED MAGISTERIAL DISTRICTS CREATED	PROPOSED COURTS TO BE ESTABLISHED	PROPOSED SEAT OF THE MAGISTRACY	PROPOSED SUB-DISTRICTS/ DETACHED COURTS	PROPOSED PLACES FOR THE HOLDING OF THE SUB-DISTRICTS/ DETACHED COURTS	PROPOSED PLACES FOR THE HOLDING OF A COURT AND PERIODICAL COURTS
Alfred Nzo	Alfred Nzo	KwaBhaca (Mount Frere)	KwaBhaca (Mount Frere)	Matatiele Mbizana Ntabankulu	Matatiele Mbizana Ntabankulu	Maluti (Place for the holding of a court (Matatiele) eMaXesibeni/ Mount Ayliff (Place for the holding of a court (Mbizana) Mzamba (Place for the holding of a periodical court (Mbizana) Cweraland (Place for the holding of a periodical court (Ntabankulu)
Amathole	Amathole	Butterworth	Butterworth	Amahlathi Mbashe Ngqushwa Raymond Mhlabi	Stutterheim Dutiwa Peggie Alice	Centane (Place for the holding of a court (Butterworth) Komga (Place for the holding of a court (Butterworth) Nqamakwe (Place for the holding of a court (Butterworth) Kei Mouth (Place for the holding of a periodical court (Komga) Cathcart (Place for the holding of a court (Amahlathi) Keiskammahoek (Place for the holding of a court (Amahlathi) Wilowale (Place for the holding of

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						a court ( Mbashe) Elliotdale (Place for the holding of a court (Mbashe) Adelaide (Place for the holding of a court (Raymond Mhlaba) Bedford (Place for the holding of a court (Raymond Mhlaba) Fort Beaufort (Place for the holding of a court (Raymond Mhlaba) Middeldrift (Place for the holding of a court (Raymond Mhlaba) Seymour (Place for the holding of a court (Raymond Mhlaba)
Buffalo City	Buffalo City	East London	East London	Buffalo City East Buffalo City West	Mdantsane King Williams Town	Zwelitsha (Place for the holding of a court (Buffalo City West)
Chris Hani	Chris Hani	Komani	Komani	Emalaheni Engcobo Inxuba Yethemba	Cacadu (Lady Frere) Ngcobo Cradock	Dimbaza (Place for the holding of a court (Buffalo City West) Ezibeleni (Place for the holding of a court (Komani) Molteno (Place for the holding of a court (Komani) Ntabethemba (Place for the holding of a court (Komani) Sterkstroom (Place for the holding of a court (Komani) Tarkastad (Place for the holding of a court (Komani) Whittlesea (Place for the holding of

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						a court (Komani) Boloftwa (Place for the holding of a periodical court (Komani) Cala (Place for the holding of a court (Emalahleni) Dordrecht (Place for the holding of a court (Emalahleni) Elliot (Place for the holding of a court (Emalahleni) Indwe (Place for the holding of a court (Emalahleni) Tsono (Place for the holding of a court (Engcobo) Cofimvaba (Place for the holding of a court (Engcobo) Middelburg (Place for the holding of a court (Inxuba Yethemba) Hofmeyer (Place for the holding of a court (Inxuba Yethemba) Dalasile (Place for the holding of a periodical court (Engcobo)
Joe Gqabi	Joe Gqabi	Barkley East	Barkley East	Elundini Sterkspruit Walter Sisulu	Maclear Sterkspruit Aliwal North	Mt Fletcher (Place for the holding of a court (Elundini) Ugie (Place for the holding of a periodical court (Elundini) Herschel (Place for the holding of a periodical court (Sterkspruit) Jamestown (Place for the holding of a periodical court (Sterkspruit)

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Nelson Mandela	Nelson Mandela	Port Elizabeth	Port Elizabeth	Uitenhage Motherwell New Brighton	Uitenhage Motherwell New Brighton	Burgersdorp (Place for the holding of a court (Walter Sisulu) Steynsburg (Place for the holding of a court (Walter Sisulu) Venterstad (Place for the holding of a court (Walter Sisulu) Gelvandale (Place for the holding of a periodical court: Port Elizabeth) Nerina One Stop Child Justice Centre (Place for the holding of a periodical court: Port Elizabeth) St Albans (Place for the holding of a periodical court: Port Elizabeth) KwaNobuhle (Place for the holding of a periodical court: Uitenhage)
OR Tambo	OR Tambo	Mthatha	Mthatha	Inquza Hill Mhlontlo	Lusikisiki Tsolo	Mqanduli (Place for the holding of a court (Mthata) Ngqeleni (Place for the holding of a court (Mthata) Bityi (Place for the holding of a periodical court (Mthata) Kwaaiman (Place for the holding of a periodical court (Mqanduli) Flagstaff (Place for the holding of a court (Inquza Hill) Port St Johns (Place for the holding of a court (Inquza Hill) Mtonsasa (Place for the holding of

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Sarah Baartman	Sarah Baartman	Grahamstown	Grahamstown	Dr Beyers Naude Kouga	Graaf Reinet Humansdorp	a periodical court (Flagstaff) Qumbu (Place for the holding of a court (Mhlonlto) Libode (Place for the holding of a court ( Mhlonlto) Tina Falls (Place for the holding of a periodical court (Qumbu) Alexandra (Place for the holding of a court (Grahamstown) Paterson (Place for the holding of a court (Grahamstown) Kirkwood (Place for the holding of a court (Grahamstown) Port Alfred (Place for the holding of a court (Grahamstown) Alicedale (Place for the holding of a periodical court (Grahamstown) Kinkelbos (Place for the holding of a periodical court (Grahamstown) Kenton on Sea (Place for the holding of a periodical court (Port Alfred) Somerset East (Place for the holding of a court (Dr Beyers Naude) Joubertina Place for the holding of a court (Dr Beyers Naude) Willowmore Place for the holding of a court (Dr Beyers Naude)

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COLUMN A AREA	COLUMN B PROPOSED MAGISTERIAL DISTRICTS CREATED	COLUMN C PROPOSED COURTS TO BE ESTABLISHED	COLUMN D PROPOSED SEAT OF THE MAGISTRACY	COLUMN E PROPOSED SUB- DISTRICTS/ DETACHED COURTS	COLUMN F PROPOSED PLACES FOR THE HOLDING OF THE SUB-DISTRICTS/ DETACHED COURTS	COLUMN G PROPOSED PLACES FOR THE HOLDING OF A COURT AND PERIODICAL COURTS
						<p>Jansenville Place for the holding of a court (Dr Beyers Naude) Aberdeen Place for the holding of a court (Dr Beyers Naude) Joubertina (Place for the holding of a court (Kouga) Hankey Place for the holding of a court (Kouga) Cookhouse (Place for the holding of a periodical court (Somerset East) Pearston (Place for the holding of a periodical court (Somerset East) Klipplaat (Place for the holding of a periodical court (Jansenville) Storm Rivier (Place for the holding of a periodical court (Kouga) Kareedouw (Place for the holding of a periodical court (Kouga) Patensie (Place for the holding of a periodical court (Hankey)</p>

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