

JUSTICE MANDISA MURIEL LINDELWA MAYA

AGE AND GENDER: African female, 57 years of age

CURRENT POSITION: President of the Supreme Court of Appeal, 2017 to date

QUALIFICATIONS: B.Proc (University of Transkei); LLB (University of Natal); LLM (Duke University, North Carolina, United States of America)

PREVIOUS JUDICIAL POSITIONS:

- Judge, Eastern Cape Division of the High Court, Mthatha 2000;
- Acting Judge, Labour Courts 2004;
- Acting Judge of Appeal, Supreme Court of Appeal, 2005;
- Judge of Appeal, Supreme Court of Appeal, 2006;
- Acting Judge of Appeal, Supreme Court of Namibia, 2008;
- Acting Justice of the Constitutional Court of South Africa, 2012;
- Acting Judge of Appeal, Appeal Court of Lesotho, 2015;
- Deputy President of the Supreme Court of Appeal, 2015
- Acting President of the Supreme Court of Appeal, 2016 – 2017.

PREVIOUS POSITIONS HELD:

- Attorney's Clerk, Dazana Mafungo Inc. Mthatha, 1987;
- Court Interpreter and Prosecutor, Mthatha, 1988 – 1989;

- Legal Policy Counsel & Lobbyist Women's Legal Defense Fund, Washington DC;
- Assistant State Law Adviser, Mthatha, 1991 – 1993;
- Law Lecturer, University of Transkei, 1993 – 1995;
- Practising Advocate, Transkei Society of Advocates, 1994 -1999.

LEADERSHIP POSITIONS / EXTRA-JUDICIAL WORK:

- Director: International Association of Women Judges: Africa Region, 2021;
- Chancellor: University of Mpumalanga, 2021;
- Council Member: Duke Law | Bolch Judicial Institute Leadership, 2020;
- President of the South African Chapter of the International Association of Women Judges, 2018;
- Deputy President of the South African Chapter of the International Association of Women Judges, 2008 – 2010;
- Member: South African Judicial Service Commission, 2017;
- Member: South African Judicial Education Institute Council 2017;
- Board Member: University of the Free State Law Faculty, 2019;
- Board Member: South African Law Journal Editorial, 2019;
- Board Member: Yearbook of South African Law Advisory, 2019;
- Board Member: South African National Bar Examination, 2017;
- Chairperson: South African Law Reform Commission, 2013-2016;
- Member: Commonwealth Association of Law Reform Agencies, 2014;
- Lawyers Against Abuse Patron, 2013;
- Editorial Board Member: University of Transkei Law Journal, 2005-2004.