



The Press Council of SA invites applications for the position of

PUBLIC ADVOCATE

The Public Advocate:

- Assists members of the public with complaints about journalistic conduct and ethics at our print and online subscriber publications;
- Liaises directly with the publication for the complainant to resolve the complaint amicably, acting as the “advocate” for the complainant;
- Represents the complainant before the Press Ombud and/or the Appeals Panel if required to do so; and
- Actively mediates disputes in terms of the Code of Ethics and Conduct for SA Print and Online media and the Complaints Procedures of the Press Council of South Africa.

The applicant is required to have in-depth knowledge of the role of the media in a democratic society in general, and of the Press Code.

She/he will be impartial and fair and must have strong communication, facilitation and mediation skills.

Details:

Applicants must have extensive media experience, a fair understanding of the workings of the South African legal system, and a sense of public service.

Applicants must be citizens of the Republic of South Africa and reside permanently in the country. They must be committed to the values underpinning the South African Constitution, as well as the Code of Ethics and Conduct for South African Print and Online media.

Candidates do not require a legal qualification to apply. The position is for a term of five years, which may be renewed.

How to apply:

Please submit a written application to one of the following channels:

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CLOSING DATE: 7 APRIL, 2020