

## **EXPANDING THEIR FOOTPRINT** COX YEATS OPENS JOHANNESBURG OFFICE

ox Yeats Attorneys has seen the need to expand its footprint nationally, to service existing KwaZulu-Natal and Johannesburg clients with businesses based in Gauteng. This need resulted in KZN's largest locally based legal practice, opening a Johannesburg office in Sandton on 1 March 2020. The law firm, with its main office located in Umhlanga, Durban, operates locally, nationally and internationally, offering expertise and specialisation in the commercial and personal legal fields. The Johannesburg office will initially offer legal services in the areas of construction and engineering law as well as general commercial litigation including insurance and banking litigation, and sports law.

This exciting step is part of Cox Yeats strategy to underscore its commitment to providing clients with comprehensive solutions to the legal challenges they face.

"Our Johannesburg office will enhance our service offerings to national and international clients, more specifically in the fields of construction law, insurance litigation and general commercial litigation," said Managing Partner, Michael Jackson.

Cox Yeats is consistently rated a top law firm in South Africa, and has for the third consecutive year, received the PMR.africa Diamond Arrow Award for the highest rated medium-sized law firm in South Africa. Seven of the firm's senior attorneys are ranked by BEST LAWYERS as leaders in their fields, being a clear indication of the high

calibre of legal professionals who are part of this growing firm.

Specialist boutique law firm, Cox Yeats, offers clients knowledge and expertise based on more than 55 years of legal expertise, with talent from diverse backgrounds, far reaching experience in their fields of expertise and a personalised service based on building relationships with clients and getting to know their business objectives as a whole in order to effectively deal their legal affairs in the context of their overall requirements.

"Central to our approach of doing things differently is an emphasis on building relationships by getting to know our clients, their businesses and the problems that they are facing. We don't have a one size fits all approach. Instead, we find the best solution for each situation," Jackson explains.

Heading up the Cox Yeats Johannesburg office is Partner Gary Pritchard, a former director of a large international law firm based in Sandton. Pritchard focuses on construction and engineering law as well as general commercial litigation including insurance and banking litigation, construction and sports law.

"Pritchard is a well-recognised legal professional with over 28 years' experience, who will be assisted by associate, Phillip Cronje," said Jackson.

"This is an exciting challenge for me to establish in Johannesburg, the brand of the most dynamic law firm in KwaZulu-Natal. When I was approached with the proposal to open an office for Cox Yeats in Sandton, it was a great honour for me and a challenge which I readily accepted," said Pritchard.

Pritchard has achieved the following accolades:

- 2020 Recognised in Best Lawyers in South Africa for Construction
- 2019 Recommended in Legal
   500 for Construction
- 2019 Recognised in Best Lawyers in South Africa for Construction Law ■

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