

CURRICULUM VITAE OF AMANDA MKHONZA

1 PERSONAL DETAILS

Full names: Amanda Zibuyile Toets Mkhonza
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2 EDUCATIONAL HISTORY

- ❖ **LLM (*Magister Legum*) in Environmental Law**
Research report title: *Environmental Impact Assessment & Sustainable Development in South Africa: The predominance of economic considerations.*
University of the Witwatersrand (2011)
 - ❖ **LLB (*Baccalaureus Legum*)**
University of the Free State (2007 – 2010)
 - ❖ **National senior certificate (matriculation) passed with distinction**
Empangeni High School (2002 – 2006)
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3 WORK EXPERIENCE

- ❖ **Lecturer: Institute of Marine & Environmental Law, Public Law department, Faculty of Law University of Cape Town** (January 2018 to date):
Environmental law lecturer (Final year level) | Natural resources law & international environmental law lecturer (Master's level) | Faculty committees membership: Transformation Committee; Faculty Research Committee; Admissions, Concessions and Credits Committee; Postgraduate Scholarships Committee; Moots Committee | External moderator (LLM in Environmental Law): University of KwaZulu-Natal; University of the Free State | Memorials judge, Jessup Moot Competition 2019 |
- ❖ **Attorney: Water programme Centre for Environmental Rights** (May 2016 to August 2017):
Drafting legal review on protection of South Africa's strategic water source areas | Drafting communications and media campaign strategy | Engaging with government officials and relevant stakeholders on the importance and value of water source areas | Drafting legal policies and commenting on various environmental legislation for amendment | Hosting, and presenting on legal protection mechanisms available for strategic water source areas protection at conferences, workshops, and symposiums | Representing the Centre for Environmental Rights in the media (television, newspapers, and radio) as the spokesperson for strategic water source areas | Mentorship of Candidate Attorneys | Training community members on rights to access water | Co-ordinating Committee Member of the South African Water Caucus |
- ❖ **Lecturer: Private Law department, Faculty of Law University of the Free State** (May 2014 – April 2016):
Compiling module guides and lecturing first and second year law students in Historical Foundations of South African Law; Roman Law Foundations of South African Law; and Legal Pluralism | Supervising final year students with their mini-thesis dissertations | As Module

Coordinator for Roman Law Foundations of South African Law compiling module guides and overseeing the selection of and coaching students to participate in the annual African Human Rights Moot Court Competition, in Zambia in 2015 | As Guardian, overseeing the overall running and functioning of the Legal Behemoth Association, a student association under the Faculty of Law, University of the Free State |

- ❖ **Articles of clerkship (Candidate Attorney) Norton Rose Fulbright** (incorporated as Deneys Reitz Inc) (January 2012 – February 2014):
Legal practical training in: Insurance litigation, specialising in medical malpractice | Knowledge, Learning & Development | Africa Legal (corporate law, employment and labour law, and banking and finance law in Africa) | Employment & Labour |
 - ❖ **Vacation work Deneys Reitz Inc** (January 2009):
Job shadowing a team of attorneys in a 2 week programme in Employment & Labour | Participating in meetings with clients | Observing mediations, conciliations and arbitrations |
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4 PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Journal articles

- ❖ The *Palala* judgment: a harmonious relationship between the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act and the Companies Act? (2016) 22 *South African Journal for Environmental Law and Policy* 225 – 237

Book chapters

- ❖ Improving the Legal Protection of Strategic Water Source Areas: A South African Perspective in Kameri-Mbote P, Paterson A, Ruppel O, Orubebe B & Kam Yongo E (2018) *Law, Environment & Africa* NOMOS Publishers 453-478
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5 CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- ❖ **The Association of Environmental Law Lecturers in African Universities 5th Symposium and 4th Scientific Conference, 10-14 January 2018 in Yaoundé, Cameroon:** *'Improving the legal protection for strategic water source areas: A South African perspective'*
 - ❖ **The Environmental Law Association Annual Conference, 27-28 September 2018 in Port Elizabeth, South Africa:** *'Strategic water source "protected" areas perhaps?'*
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6 SOCIAL RESPONSIVENESS

- ❖ **Securing our Strategic Water Source Areas Workshop, 5-6 September 2018 in Cape Town, South Africa:**
Facilitated and presented at a multi-stakeholder workshop on implementing the law to protect South Africa's 22 strategic water source areas | Drafted a report on the workshop for the funders | Recorded two legal awareness campaign videos for this project accessible on <https://mabola.cer.org.za/>
- ❖ **Strategic Water Source Areas Reference Group & Technical Task Team, ongoing since 2016, South Africa:**
Ongoing work with government organisations, non-profit organisations and technical experts on developing legal tools for Minister of Environmental Affairs to use to protect strategic water source areas