
RE: Subject: Follow-up — Petition for Leave to Appeal — Venter v Bidvest Bank Ltd & FSCA — Case No. 2025-167724

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Dear Mr. Venter,

Pursuant to the communicate below, please be informed that I have full appreciation for your position, however, we do need or at the very least need the orders on merits and leave to appeal.

We can grant an extension in terms of Rule 6 for the judgments and provisionally accept the documents in terms of Rule 4, but the orders are needed.

Regards



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Dear Ms Basson,

Further to my earlier correspondence, I wish to clarify one point that goes directly to the **basis of my petition**.

One of the requirements listed is that I must attach both the **judgment and order refusing leave to appeal**. I must respectfully point out that no such judgment or order exists. On **25 September 2025**, immediately after judgment was delivered in the High Court, I applied **orally for leave to appeal** in open court. The Honourable Justice Collis expressly **refused to hear or record** my application.

The absence of a judgment or order on leave to appeal is not an omission on my part. It is, in fact, one of the **procedural irregularities that forms the basis of my petition to the SCA** under section 17(2)(b) of the Superior Courts Act.

I therefore cannot attach documents that were never issued, and I trust the Registrar and this Honourable Court will accept that explanation. To require me to produce non-existent documents would render my petition impossible to prosecute.

I again respectfully request confirmation that my petition will be accepted as compliant on this basis.

Yours faithfully,
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Dear Ms Basson,

I thank you for your guidance regarding Rule 6 and the administrative requirements of this Honourable Court.

I must, however, respectfully raise both a constitutional concern and the issue of extreme urgency.

1. Access to Court: I am a lay litigant without counsel, without funds for multiple copies or courier, and without transport to Bloemfontein. Strict insistence on costly procedural

requirements risks denying me access to this Court altogether, in direct violation of section 34 of the Constitution.

2. Case Law: Our highest courts have consistently emphasised that rules cannot be applied in a way that denies substantive justice:

- *Biowatch Trust v Registrar, Genetic Resources* 2009 (6) SA 232 (CC): procedural rules must not bar access to constitutional remedies.
- *Moela v Chairperson, North West Gambling Board* 2018 (2) SA 226 (SCA): technical non-compliance cannot override substantive justice.
- *Grootboom v NPA* 2014 (2) SA 68 (CC): “the rules are made for the courts, not the courts for the rules.”
- *Mabaso v Law Society* 2005 (2) SA 117 (CC): courts must show flexibility with lay litigants to ensure fairness.

3. Legal Aid: I have already approached Legal Aid South Africa. They declined to assist me for reasons never explained. I cannot therefore be told to seek that assistance again.

Urgency

This matter is not ordinary litigation. It directly concerns the announced disposal of Bidvest Bank Limited to Access Bank Plc (Nigeria) for R2.8 billion. That transaction could be finalised at any moment. If it goes through before my petition is properly processed, I will suffer irreparable harm — my damages claim will be rendered hollow and my right to have my name cleared from the fraudulent SAFPS listing may become unenforceable against the new owners.

For this reason, I respectfully request that:

- My petition be immediately accepted electronically, treated as properly filed for purposes of time and substance;
- Couriered originals (if required at all) be allowed later when funds allow, without my constitutional right of access being sacrificed to technical formality;
- The Honourable Court consider issuing urgent directions so this matter is not overtaken by events.

With the greatest respect, I cannot be denied access to this Court because I lack money for couriers or printing. To do so would not only prejudice me personally but would also set a dangerous precedent: that access to the Supreme Court of Appeal depends on wealth.

I kindly request your confirmation that my petition will be accepted on this basis and that urgency will be recognised.

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