



NLC company secretary advocate Nompumelelo Nene.

THE CRITICAL IMPORTANCE OF MANAGING OR PREVENTING CONFLICT OF INTEREST

The National Lotteries Commission Ethics – Conflict of Interest Virtual Conference 2020, led by the NLC company secretary advocate Nompumelelo Nene has been a successful campaign.

Through this process, the NLC invited members of the public and employees to the

Conflict of Interest Conference to educate its employees and enhance the understanding of conflict of interest. The NLC Conflict of Interest Framework has prompted the NLC to benchmark against the best in terms of setting the standards for conflict of interest management.

ADVOCATE KEVIN MALUNGA SHARES HIS EXPERIENCE OF THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST VIRTUAL CONFERENCE



Aldrin Sampear, Dr Janette Minnaar, Advocate Kevin Malunga and Dr Salomon Hoogenraad-Vermaak at the NLC’s virtual conference.



Advocate Kevin Malunga takes part in the NLC’s virtual conference.

1 The NLC Conflict of Interest Virtual Conference was a groundbreaking, honest discussion of the lingering challenge of conflict of interest which arises as a governance and ethics issue in all sectors of South African life. The public and private sectors are affected in almost equal measure and the virtual discussion was an eye-opener to many NLC stakeholders.

The conference was fully compliant with the government’s Covid-19 regulations. Working with the NLC on such projects has enabled me to increase my knowledge of the relationship between ethics and the law. Most importantly, it has helped me to better understand the role of the NLC as a regulator and how it empowers marginalised communities.

2 The IFAW (International Fraud Awareness Week) 2020 Virtual Conference was an innovative gathering that imparted international values of IFAW in South Africa and the NLC in particular. The various presentations offered a thorough assessment of different aspects of unethical and fraudulent behaviour and how they affect South African life.

Working with the NLC on this project indicated the organisation’s frank and sincere commitment to root out fraud and corruption as it impacts its mandate, that is regulation of lotteries and grant funding. The NLC continues to enhance its commitment to ethical corporate governance in all its functions.

The National Lotteries Commission has for the past 20 years been mandated with regulating lotteries and sports pools to make resources available to fund good causes. Our preoccupation is to change lives. This latter determination has been the driving force behind the NLC since its establishment under the Department of Trade and Industry (the dti).

We regulate lotteries and sports pools to fund worthy causes that are aligned to the broader developmental agenda of the country, with the objective of extricating South African citizens from the grip of poverty and the burden of inequality.

