# Muwanwa Ramanyimi

Senior Associate



Muwanwa Ramanyimi is a Senior Associate in our Dispute Resolution practice. She has experience in commercial and corporate litigation dealing with a variety of issues relating to the Companies Act, insolvency and business rescue and property related disputes. Muwanwa is knowledgeable in dealing with different types of court proceedings (in lower and superior courts) and alternative dispute resolution mechanisms such as Mediation and Arbitration.

#### **About Muwanwa**

Muwanwa started her legal career in 2016 and was admitted as an Attorney of the High Court of South Africa in 2018. She graduated with a Bachelor of Laws from the University of the Witwatersrand and has a certificate in corporate law from the University of South Africa.

## **Credentials**

#### **Education**

- Bachelor of Laws, University of the Witwatersrand
- Corporate Law Certificate, University of South Africa

## **Experience**

## Legal advice

Representing an asset management company on a shareholders' dispute which involves Companies Act issues such financial assistance, appraisal rights and Takeover Regulations as well as Financial Advisory and Intermediary Services Act issues.

#### • Legal advice

Representing a creditor in the business rescue proceedings of one of the major retail stores in South Africa, including negotiating settlement terms with the Business Rescue Practitioners.

#### Legal advice

Representing a leading energy and chemical company in a review application in respect of its exploration rights and environmental authorisation; duties include briefing ERM for expert reports, reviewing and analysing pleadings and Rule 53 records and attending to all ad-hoc activities for running the trial.

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## **Expertise**

Dispute Resolution

Business Rescue, Restructuring & Insolvency

#### Location

Cape Town

#### Language

English



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· Legal advice

Performing due diligence investigations and reports for listed and private companies

## **News**

#### The definitive position on the courts' ability to override existing orders

" If the errors and their consequences were not so serious, this appeal could be said to arise from a comedy of errors." This was the opening sentence in a judgment by the Supreme Court of Appeal (SCA) in Standard Bank of South Africa v Swartz and Others (Case no 1175/2022) ZASCA 28. The appeal focused on errors the High Court made in granting a "non-existent" business rescue application and adjudicating issues which had been disposed of byagreement

#### Collusion between debtor and creditor: Defence for a surety?

Although a person standing as a surety for a principal debtor might appreciate and understand what it means to be a surety, it is without doubt that many hope that the suretyship will never be implemented. Therefore, when the day comes when the suretyship is called upon, it comes as no surprise that the surety will try any defence, no matter how remote, to free themselves from liability.

#### Vulnerability caused by compliance: Section 129(7) of the Companies Act 71 of 2008 and the risk of being wound up

A lot has been said and written about directors' fiduciary duties and the pitfalls directors expose themselves to when making business decisions, almost daily. The circumstances which may lead a director to breaching their fiduciary duties are broad, and to determine whether a director actually breached their fiduciary duties often requires an extensive factual enquiry.

#### Unpacking the urgency of urgent applications: Not just for the taking

"The wheels of justice turn slowly." We have all heard this phrase at one point or another. It is not uncommon for a litigant to wait years before a hearing date for a matter is allocated. There are certain times, however, when there simply is not the luxury of time, and rights need to be protected as a matter of urgency. Our law recognises this, which is why it makes provision for urgent applications.

#### Business rescue is not simply for the asking

The debate as to whether business rescue or liquidation is appropriate for a company in financial distress ultimately comes down to which process is likely to yield a higher return for creditors and/or stakeholders. We often hear of failed business rescue proceedings where the company ends up being liquidated, but it is seldom the case that liquidation proceedings are converted to a business rescue.

## **Podcasts**

## WOZA Podcast Three - Turning the tide

Join CDH Conversations for the third and final episode of the CDH and WOZA Women in Law podcast series, hosted by Senior Associate, Muwanwa Ramanyimi.

#### The recent judgment of CNA and Others v Anglowealth Sharia (Pty) Ltd and Others

In this edition of CDH's Business Rescue, Restructuring and Insolvency sector's podcast series, Tobie Jordaan, Lucinde Rhoodie, Muwanwa Ramanyimi and Jessica Osmond are joined by senior Business Rescue Practitioner, Phahlani Mkhombo, of Genesis Corporate Solutions, to discuss the recent judgment of CNA and Others v Anglowealth Sharia (Pty) Ltd and Others, particularly considering the obligations placed on a BRP to notify affected parties of any court proceedings during a business rescue.

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