

André de Lange

Sector Head, Director



André de Lange is a Director in our Corporate and Commercial practice. André specialises in corporate law, corporate governance and mergers and acquisitions. He also provides general commercial law-related services and advice. For a number of years André served on the executive committee of the Johannesburg Attorneys Association, (holding the office of Vice Chairman and Treasurer) and served as a Councillor of the Cape Law Society. André currently serves on the Audit and Risk Committee of the Law Society of South Africa. He and his family relocated from Johannesburg to Cape Town at the end of 2006.

About André

André began his career as a Candidate Attorney in 1993 at Hofmeyr van der Merwe Inc. (now Cliffe Dekker Hofmeyr) in Johannesburg. In 1998 he was appointed as a Director

Credentials

Education

- Registered with the Legal Practice Council
- BA Law University of Johannesburg
- LLB University of Johannesburg
- LLM (Corporate Law), University of Johannesburg
- Year of admission as an attorney: 1995

Experience

- **Merger and take-over transactions**

Involved in a number of prominent merger and take-over transactions, including transactions effected by schemes of arrangement, and hostile take-overs.

- **Listings of companies**

Involved in a number of listings of companies on the JSE and the alternative exchange of the JSE.

- **Companies Act and King IV**

Advising a number of large listed company groups in complying with the Companies Act and King IV.

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Expertise

[Corporate & Commercial Law](#)

[Agriculture, Aquaculture & Fishing](#)

Listings, Stock Exchanges & Public Documents

Mergers & Acquisitions

Corporate Governance

The Companies Act

[Healthcare & Pharmaceuticals](#)

Location

Stellenbosch

Language

Afrikaans

English

- **Remgro**

Advised Remgro in their facilitation of Mediclinic's acquisitions of interests in Spire and Al Noor in the United Kingdom. Also advised Remgro in the issue of exchangeable bonds listed on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange, as well as advised Remgro in their R9billion rights issue.

- **Mediclinic**

Advising Mediclinic in the acquisition by Remgro and Mediterranean Shipping Company of joint control over Mediclinic and the delisting of Mediclinic from the LSE and the JSE.

- **Mediclinic**

Providing private hospital regulatory advice to Mediclinic, including representing Mediclinic in the Competition Commission's Healthcare Market Inquiry and in their submissions in respect of the proposed National Health Insurance.

- **PSG Group**

Advising PSG Group in its unbundling of its shareholding in Capitec Bank and the subsequent unbundling of substantially all PSG Group' listed investments to its shareholders, and the delisting of PSG Group from the JSE.

- **Volaris**

Advising Volaris (a subsidiary of Canadian Constellation Software) in its acquisition of control over JSE listed Adapt IT.

- **Richemont**

Advising Swiss incorporated and listed Richemont in the termination of its depositary receipt programme on the JSE and the listing of its A shares and A warrants as a secondary listing on the JSE.

News

["No frills" financial reporting disclosures: New amendments to JSE listings requirements](#)

In furtherance of its Cutting Red Tape Project, the Johannesburg Stock Exchange (JSE) announced on 19 June 2023 that the Financial Sector Conduct Authority had approved certain amendments to the JSE Listings Requirements in respect of financial reporting disclosures, amongst other things.

[DWS clarifies the transformation requirements in the proposed new water license regulations](#)

On 19 May 2023, the Department of Water and Sanitation (Department) published the Revision of the Regulations Regarding the Procedural Requirements for Water Use Licence Applications (draft Regulations).

[More to come from the JSE and NYSE collaboration on dual listings](#)

On 11 October 2022, the Johannesburg Stock Exchange (JSE) together with the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE) announced that they had signed a memorandum of understanding to collaborate on the dual listing of companies on both exchanges. The memorandum of understanding between the two exchanges also covers their agreement to explore the development of new products in relation to environmental, social and governance, exchange-traded funds and digital assets, as well as knowledge sharing on these topics.

[Agriculture and Agro-processing Master Plan: Signed, sealed and to be delivered](#)

On 12 May 2022, just ahead of Minister Didiza delivering the Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development budget vote speech for 2022/23, the Agriculture and Agro-processing Master Plan (AAMP) was signed with social partners after two years of rigorous engagements and consultations between Government, business, labour and civil society organisations in the agriculture and agro-processing sectors.

Are things getting sweeter in the Sugar Industry?

In June 2019, President Ramaphosa affirmed Government's commitment to help create conducive conditions for South African industries to expand, by implementing a re-imagined industrial strategy through several sector specific Master Plans. The overarching goal of the Master Plans is to assist companies to improve their industrial capacities and sophistication, focusing more on exports and reclaiming the domestic market space lost to imports. In the 2022 State of the Nation Address (SONA 2022) President Ramaphosa reaffirmed Government's commitment to stimulate growth in the South African sugar industry. Government, through a process of extensive stakeholder engagement, developed the 2020 Masterplan for South African Sugarcane Value-chain to 2030 (Sugar Masterplan). The Sugar Masterplan aims to address the immediate crisis facing the sugar industry.

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Recognition

- **Market recognition**
 - The Legal 500 EMEA 2022 recommended Andre in banking & finance.
 - IFLR1000, 2020 edition André received the following recognition: "He provided a very high level of output. He has excellent turnaround times and is excellent at proposing solutions." "He is experienced, knowledgeable, calm and precise."