

# IN THE HIGH COURT OF SOUTH AFRICA GAUTENG DIVISION, PRETORIA

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(1) REPORTABLE: Y 8/NO.

(2) OF INTEREST TO OTHER JUDGES: YES/NO.

(3) REVISED.

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Case No: 12758/2014

Date heard: 25 November 2014

Date of judgment: 25 November 2014

## MOTOR INDUSTRY STAFF ASSOCIATION

Applicant

and

IAN ANTHONY MACUN N.O.	1 <sup>st</sup> Respondent
MINISTER OF LABOUR N.O.	2 <sup>nd</sup> Respondent
MOTOR INDUSTRY BARGAINING COUNCIL	3 <sup>rd</sup> Respondent
NATIONAL UNION OF METALWORKERS OF SOUTH	
AEDICA	4 <sup>th</sup> Respondent
AFRICA	4 Respondent
RETAIL MOTOR INDUSTRY ORGANISATION	5 <sup>th</sup> Respondent
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# LEAVE TO APPEAL JUDGMENT

## A.M.L. PHATUDI J:

- [1] This is a leave to appeal against the judgment and order I granted on 06 November 2014.<sup>1</sup>
- [2] The concurrent jurisdiction created by the provisions of section 157(1) and (2) of the Labour Relations Act (LRA) had a grappling history which now appears to be in perpetuity.
- [3] Section 17 (1) (a) (ii) of Superior Court Act 10 of 2013 (the Act) provides that '[I]eave to appeal may only be given where the judge or judges concerned are of the opinion that
- (a)(i) ...
  - (ii) there is some other compelling reason why the appeal should be heard, including conflicting judgments on the matter under consideration;'
- [4] Section 20 provides '[w]henever a decision on a question of law is given by a court of a Division which is in conflict with a decision on the same question of law given by a court of any other Division, the Minister may submit such conflicting decisions to the Chief Justice, who must cause the matter to be argued before the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Due to typographical errors I noticed at paragraphs [5] and [6] and footnote 15, I annexe the amended version for ease of reference

Constitutional Court or the Supreme Court of Appeal, as the case may be, in order to

determine the said question of law for guidance.'

[5] The conflicting judgments from different courts referred to in the

main judgment warrant the granting of leave to appeal to the Supreme

Court of Appeal or; the Minister may submit the said conflicting decisions

to the Chief Justice, who must cause the matter to be argued before the

Constitutional Court to settle this concurrent jurisdiction issue created by

the Labour Relations Act.

The following order is thus made.

#### Order:

- 1. Leave to appeal is hereby granted to the Supreme Court of Appeal.
- 2. Costs of this application be costs in the appeal.

A.M.L. Phatudi

Judge of the High Court

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