



THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEAL
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

MEDIA SUMMARY – JUDGMENT DELIVERED IN THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEAL

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The Supreme Court of Appeal today dismissed an appeal against the judgment of the Cape High Court. The SCA held that a resignation letter tendered to a municipal manager of the George Local Municipality by a Democratic Alliance party ward councillor did not constitute a valid resignation for the purposes of s 27(a) of the Local Government: Municipal Structures Act 117 of 1998 because it had been returned to its author, at his request, before the municipal manager read it and had thus not been communicated to the municipality.