

THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEAL REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

MEDIA SUMMARY – JUDGMENT DELIVERED IN THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEAL

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SNYDERS v DE JAGER

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1. The appellants, Mr Karel Snyders, his wife Ms Sofia Snyders and their minor children, reside on the farm Voorbaat in the district of Ladismith in the Western Cape Province (the farm). The respondent, Ms L F de Jager is the manager of the farm. The respondent applied in the Magistrates' Court of Ladismith for the eviction of the appellants from the farm. The magistrate granted the order sought. The eviction order of the magistrate was confirmed by the Land Claims Court (LCC) on automatic review to it in terms of s 19(3) of the Extension of Security of Tenure Act 62 of 1997 (ESTA).

2. The appellants sought and obtained leave to appeal to the Supreme Court of Appeal (SCA) against the confirmation order of the LCC. Today the SCA held that an appeal does not lie to the SCA against an order of the LCC confirming an eviction order of the Magistrates' Court on automatic review to it in terms of s 19(3) of ESTA. The SCA therefore struck the matter from the roll.

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