

## **Information Regulator**

### **Protection of Personal Information Act, No 4 of 2013**

The National Assembly approved the appointment of members to the Information Regulator on 7 September 2016.

The Protection of Personal Information Act was signed into law in November 2013, after being introduced in the National Assembly during 2009. The President signed a proclamation which was gazetted on 11 April 2014 where the effective date of certain sections, including the appointment of the Regulator, was proclaimed as 11 April 2014.

The Regulator will be responsible for education, monitor and enforce compliance, handle complaints, perform research and facilitate cross-border cooperation.

The following people were recommended: Adv Pansy Tlakula (chairperson), Adv Lebogang Stroom, and Johannes Weapond as full-time members. Prof Tana Pistorius and Sizwe Snail were recommended as part-time members. These recommendations were now referred to the Minister of Justice and Correctional Services and the final appointments will be appointed by the President.

We now await the announcement of the commencement date of POPI and the draft regulations to follow shortly, and will keep you updated on any further developments.

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