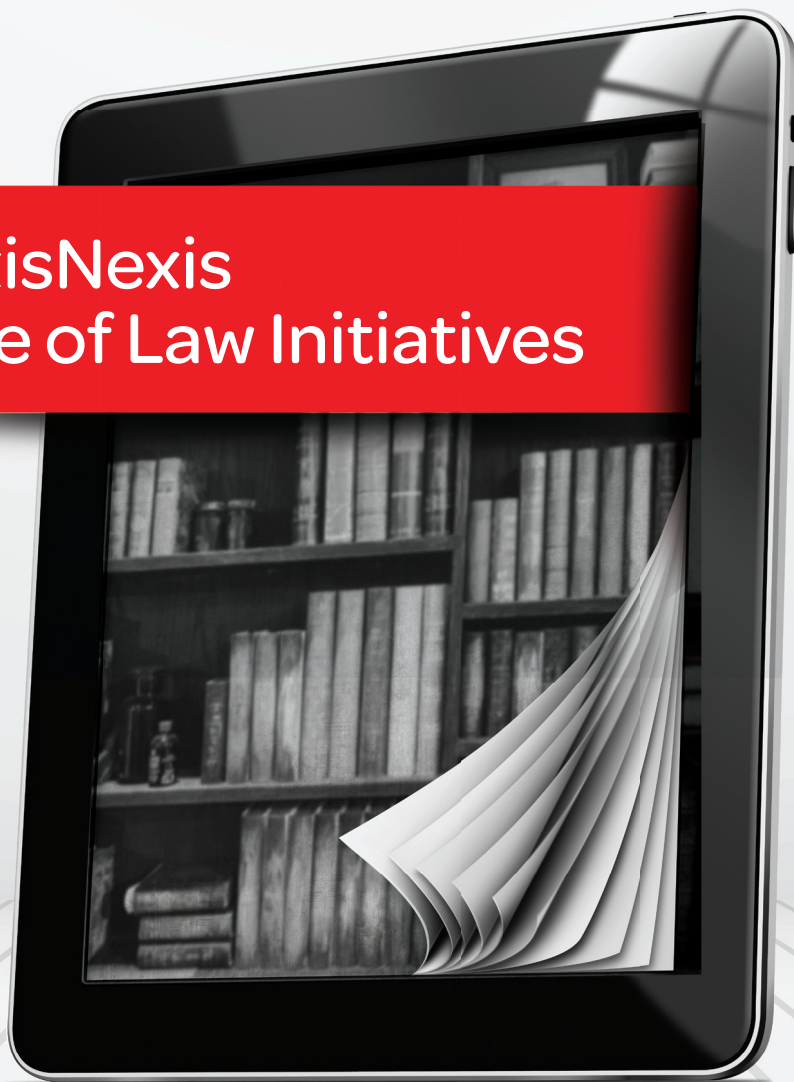


LexisNexis Rule of Law Initiatives



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Globally LexisNexis works to uphold the rule of law by providing regulatory content in print, digital and mobile formats for professionals and academics in the fields of law, tax, accounting and government. In South Africa we've been assisting companies and professionals to remain abreast of changing legislation and shifts in the regulatory environment for over 80 years. Our South African divisions include LexisNexis Data Services the market-leading risk management division that offers background screening, public record information, due diligence, property vetting and intellectual property management, as well as professional services. LexisNexis Business Software Solutions division offers conveyancing, property transfer and municipal solutions.

In addition to offering value-added solutions of the highest quality, we also care deeply about community upliftment, strong corporate governance and workplace diversity. The year 2016 was the first time that our Corporate Social Responsibility programmes included our new Business Software Solutions division acquired in November 2015, allowing us to extend the reach and impact of our efforts to create positive change through the rule of law.



“All our business and corporate social responsibility efforts are guided by our common global purpose of upholding the rule of law, thus we champion causes aligned with the rule of law principle. We believe that sustainable social, political and economic progress can only exist in societies where the rule of law exists.”

LexisNexis South Africa CEO, Billy Last

Rule of Law

In its simplest form, the rule of law means that “no one is above the law.” It is the foundation for the development of peaceful, equitable and prosperous societies. For the rule of law to be effective, there must be equality under the law, transparency of law, an independent judiciary and access to legal remedy. Yet, about 57% of the world’s population lives outside the shelter of the law. That’s four billion people struggling for basic, human rights on a daily basis.

Rule of Law Equation

The rule of law is the foundation for the development of peaceful, equitable and prosperous societies. We believe there are four key areas that form the umbrella protection of the rule of law.

Equality Under the Law + Transparency of Law + Independent Judiciary + Accessible Legal Remedy

= The Rule of Law

Our Mission

At LexisNexis, we’re working to bring the percentage of people living outside the umbrella protection of the rule of law down to zero through our day-to-day business operations, products and services, and actions as a corporate citizen.

Our Purpose

Our purpose is to advance the rule of law around the world. Publishing laws and enabling access to justice is at our core. Each time we document a case, release a decision tool or support the development of a legal infrastructure, we’re working to expand the umbrella protection of the rule of law.

How We Live Our Purpose

RE Cares

LexisNexis is dedicated to playing a positive role in our local and global communities, primarily through employee involvement. Through our global community programme, RE Cares, we strive to make a positive impact on society by volunteering and giving.

The focus of our Corporate Social Responsibility programme is aligned with our parent company RELX Group's business strengths through:

- local initiatives of importance to employees;
- education for disadvantaged young people
- universal, sustainable access to information;
- the advancement of science and health;
- promotion of the rule of law and
- access to justice and protection of society.

To us, contributing to our global communities is both an opportunity and a responsibility. It helps us inspire our own people, help others in need, and meet our obligations.

2016 Rule of Law Initiatives

LexisNexis Cares Week

A key component of RE Cares is a programme observed globally in October through which all employees are given two days off per year for volunteer work of their own choosing.

In South Africa this takes the form of the annual LexisNexis Cares Week which has a special focus on community involvement and sees the LexisNexis family volunteer their time in a bid to uplift the community. This encompasses business-sponsored volunteer activities, charitable fundraising events and in-kind charitable donations.





Advocate Advancement Programme



As a means of giving back to the legal field and driving transformation in the sector, our Advocate Advancement Programme, launched in 2012, sees us sponsoring starter packages to deserving, previously disadvantaged advocates who have recently qualified. This fosters entrepreneurship among young, previously disadvantaged advocates by reducing the financial burden on them as they establish new legal practices across the country.

We sponsor them with laptops, 3G access and access to the My LexisNexis online legal research platform. To date we have invested more than R 9.5 million to help nearly 200 advocates from the Bars of Johannesburg, Cape Town, KZN, Bloemfontein, Bisho and Transkei.

Attorney Advancement Programme

In 2016 LexisNexis South Africa extended its transformation advancement programmes to benefit previously disadvantaged attorneys. The new Attorney Advancement Programme was made possible through a partnership between LexisNexis, its Business Software Solutions division and the Attorney Development Fund. Four attorney firms in the Umtata region received platinum access to the MyLexisNexis online legal research tool together with other technology resources sponsored by LexisNexis. In addition, five LexisLibrary licenses were sponsored to emerging attorney firms affiliated with the Law Society of the Northern Provinces. *This programme will continue in 2017.*



Women's Legal Centre

LexisNexis South Africa has reinstated a partnership with the Women's Legal Centre, (WLC), a non-profit law centre that seeks to achieve equality for women – particularly black women. LexisNexis SA originally sponsored the WLC with access to MyLexisNexis online solutions from 2009 to 2011. This sponsorship was reinstated in 2016 – but with an upgraded package consisting of six user licences, valued at R210 000.



LexisNexis Practical Legal Training Research Certificate Course

Partnering with LEAD, the legal education division of the Law Society of South Africa, we hosted a one-day research certificate course for law graduates to develop practical legal skills to become effective practitioners.



LexisNexis WiFi Project

Wi-Fi connectivity has traditionally been a challenge for many courts in South Africa. However since 2012 we have worked closely with the Department of Justice and Constitutional Development to equip 13 courts in South Africa with WiFi infrastructure and access to our online legal content. The project aims to make the practice of law more efficient and mobile. The 13 courts include some of the country's preeminent courts, such as the Supreme Court of Appeal, the Constitutional Court, the Magistrates' Courts and High Courts.

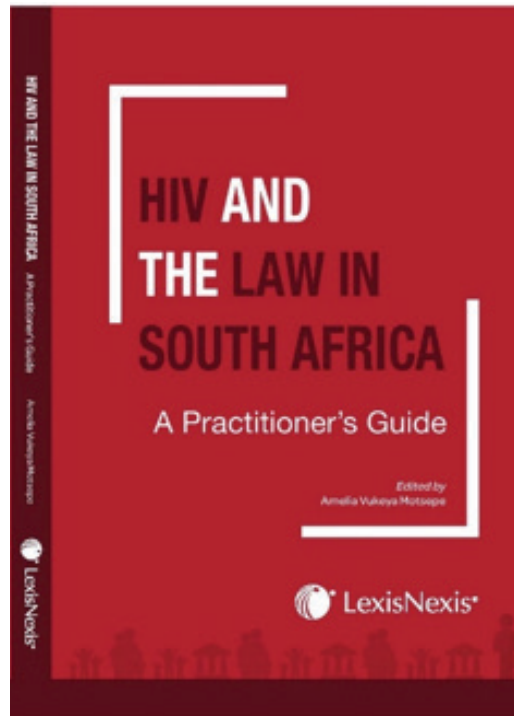


HIV & The Law: A Practitioner's Guide

South Africa has over the years developed a progressive legal and policy framework to protect human rights for all people living with HIV and AIDS. However continued stigma and discrimination often remain barriers to accessing treatment.

LexisNexis South Africa recently published a handbook edited by Amelia Vukeya Motsepe, that aims to facilitate easy access to the law relating to HIV and AIDS in South Africa. *HIV and the Law in South Africa: A Practitioner's Guide* includes extensive contributions from a number of the foremost practitioners and theorists in the field. The aim of the guide was not to reinvent the wheel but to make sure that legal issues covered in the guide are relevant to people living with HIV (PLHIV) and those that are affected by HIV.

A portion of royalties from sales of the book are being donated to Positive Women's Network South Africa, which is active in the fight against HIV/AIDS in South Africa.



Pro Bono Awards

For three years LexisNexis has partnered with Probono.Org to honour the sterling work carried out by private legal professionals who volunteer their time and expertise to provide pro bono legal services to the poor. Our sponsorship of the annual ProBono.Org Awards helps to acknowledge outstanding legal practitioners and others who promote the principles of our Constitution



Legal Resources

LexisNexis has already launched many publications in various countries, which are currently available in a range of options from sophisticated and time-saving digital formats to the traditional printed work. Until recently, many developing countries have not had formal published copies of laws and law reports, making it very difficult to consistently apply any legislation that may have been in place. As an extension of this programme our Africa Division sponsored legal textbooks in 2016 valued at over R53 000 to the University of Zimbabwe.



Our Anti-Human Trafficking Initiatives

Globally LexisNexis is committed to combating human trafficking by offering direct financial support, promoting awareness, sponsoring victims' support and assisting with training and education initiatives.

LexisNexis Cycle Against Trafficking Challenge

In 2014 and 2015 LexisNexis South Africa hosted its Cycle Against Trafficking Challenge. This three-day event encouraged cycling enthusiasts – both within LexisNexis as well as our corporate partners – to ride for a purpose and raise funds for the various non-profit organisations working tirelessly to combat the epidemic of human trafficking across South Africa. The intrepid cyclists braved the arduous 200+ km route from Drakensberg to Durban, raising more than R280 000 from the two events.

For more information, [visit http://www.lexisnexis.co.za/cycleagainsttrafficking](http://www.lexisnexis.co.za/cycleagainsttrafficking)



Human Trafficking Awareness Index™

LexisNexis has published updated information on human trafficking in South Africa and Africa through our LexisNexis Human Trafficking Awareness Index™. This directory utilises the Nexis® database of searchable news articles within South Africa, to categorise newsworthy articles on the subject of human trafficking. This is done to both track the rate of this epidemic's growth within South Africa and Africa, while providing a global perspective on the subject.



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For more information on our CSR programme and our various Rule of Law initiatives over the years please visit <http://www.lexisnexis.co.za/ruleoflaw/>

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