

MEDIA RELEASE	PSA welcomes National Prosecuting Authority's appeal of warrant of arrest issued against Prosecutor
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The Public Servants Association (PSA) welcomes the National Prosecuting Authority's (NPA) decision to appeal the warrant of arrest issued against the Prosecutor working on a high-profile case at Kwaggafontein in Mpumalanga.

The case revolves around extortion and money laundering. It is widely reported that the Prosecutor did not appear for the case because of threats that he received for working on that case. The PSA believes the appeal process is essential in ensuring that justice is done and seen to be done. The NPA's action demonstrates respect for due process and safeguards against a potential miscarriage of justice. The PSA believes that the appeal is necessary to safeguard the rights of the Prosecutor and vital to maintaining public confidence in the fairness and independence of the South Africa's legal institutions. The Union stands firmly behind the principle that accountability must be pursued within the bounds of the law, and that justice must never be compromised by procedural irregularities.

Prosecutors handling high-profile cases often face serious threats, ranging from intimidation and harassment to direct physical danger. The PSA has consistently emphasised that without adequate protection, the justice system is undermined. Prosecutors are central to upholding the rule of law, especially in cases involving organised crime, corruption, or political sensitivity. Threats against them can lead to compromised prosecutions, reluctance to take on difficult cases, or even miscarriages of justice. Ensuring their safety involves safeguarding the integrity of the justice system.

The PSA is actively engaging the NPA in the Departmental Bargaining Chamber to strengthen protections for Prosecutors. The PSA has emphasised that the current safety policy is outdated and contains loopholes. The PSA therefore urges the NPA to table the policy for consultation by the end of June 2026, as committed. The protection of Prosecutors is a matter of urgency and national importance, and the PSA will escalate this matter to the Minister of Justice and Constitutional Development for engagement.

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