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CHIEF REGISTRAR'S CIRCULAR NO. 4 OF 2015

REGISTRATION OF NOTARIAL DEEDS IN TERMS OF CHIEF REGISTRAR'S CIRCULAR 10 OF 2009

1. Uncertainty has risen regarding whether the notarial deeds referred to in Chief Registrar's Circular 10 of 2009 can be registered before the affected land has been declared, in the Government Gazette, as a special nature reserve, national park, nature reserve or protected environment.
2. The National Environmental Management: Protected Areas Act, 2003 (Act No.57 of 2003) does not specifically provide for the registration of the above mentioned notarial deeds before the declaration in the Government Gazette, however, a registered owner has a common law right to enter into registrable notarial contracts with third parties at any time. The said notarial deeds are, therefore, registrable before the declaration in the Government Gazette.


1 CHIEF REGISTRAR OF DEEDS

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