



R100 000 DONATION TO BENEFIT CANDIDATE ATTORNEYS

Students at the Johannesburg School for Legal Practice, one of the Law Society of South Africa's ten schools for candidate attorneys run by its Legal Education and Development division (LEAD), are set to benefit from the refurbishment of the School's library and computer centre, following a donation of R100 000 by PPS, the specialist financial services provider to graduate professionals.

According to Chandika Singh, Director of the Johannesburg LEAD School for Legal Practice, the donation by PPS contributed to the upgrading the library and computer centre where students can improve their research skills both through law books and online legal sources.. "The improved research facilities made possible by the donation from PPS will assist in making the Johannesburg School for Legal Practice a centre of excellence and learning for our young candidate attorneys."

She says the upgraded facilities are essential for the continued successful operation of the LEAD School for Legal Practice. "As we are a non-profit organisation dependent on the Attorneys Fidelity Fund for subsidising the running of the school, this generous donation from PPS helps to improve the training we can offer to law graduates as well as legal practitioners and law firm support staff. The new facilities allow us to ensure there is practical and continuing legal education available to members of the legal profession. "

Gerhard Joubert, Head of Group Marketing and Stakeholder Relations at PPS, says the donation is part of PPS' ongoing commitment to ensuring South Africa continues to produce world-class professionals and to retaining these skills in the country. "It is essential that our graduates have proper educational facilities to make their learning experience as beneficial and enjoyable as possible."

"The LEAD School for Legal Practice is a valuable educational institution in South Africa and we are confident that the facilities PPS has contributed towards will equip law graduates who are entering the profession with vital legal skills, further assisting them for the career ahead of them and contributing to the legal profession as a whole in South Africa," says Joubert.