

2.8 List the main challenges faced by your clinic in terms of the provision of legal services during 2016?

ID Law Clinic Main challenges in terms of legal aid provision

1 UKZN Law Clinic Durban The ratio of supervisor to student capacity is very challenging.

> In estates involving property transfers, there is not much that the Clinic can do except advise the client. This is because we are not allowed to do conveyancing work and

almost no private practitioners do such work pro bono.

Both the Director and the Principal Attorney are employed onto the Law School's academic staff, thus dividing their time between the Clinic's responsibilities and Law

School admin., research and teaching deliverables.

2 University of Venda Law Clinic

Challenges of infrastructure, transport to court and community outreach programme.

3 Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University Law Clinic

No Labour-law experts Under-staffed

Not enough manpower

Funding

4 North West University (Mahikeng)

5 Rhodes University Law

Grahamstown office:

-Shortage of staff and high staff turnover: due to the lack of job security there is a high staff turnover due to practitioners seeking job security. The turnover of staff results in practitioner shortages which effectively places more pressure on the organisation.

-Pack of stable funding. The lack of secure funding impacts on resource acquisition, staff salaries and creates uncertainty within the Organisation.

6 UCT Law Clinic

Clinic

Finances to take on more evictions

Sheriffs exorbitant costs

Lacking High Court capacity and general capacity

Student curriculum timetable clashes with times of satellite services

7 University of Johannesburg Law Clinic Too many students Too few attorneys No messenger

Attorneys expected to act as messengers and do all court appearances as well as

attending to the students and clients

No sustainable funding model for the Law Clinic's running expenses.

9 North West University Law

Sherriff's fees

Clinic (Potch)

Staff retention – majority of staff are temporarily employed and funded through third stream income for access to justice related projects.

10 University of Pretoria Law Clinic

The problems associated with contract positions that are rolled over from year to year came to the fore in 2016. Amendments to labour legislation forced the University to convert 4 of these positions in 2016 to permanent positions increasing the number of permanent positions in the Law Clinic to seven. Unfortunately, in an effort to avoid further legitimate demands for permanency the contracts of two senior staff members were not renewed for 2017 despite them being key members of staff from an operational point of view. The lack of consultation and the manner in which this was handled not only led to loss of expertise but also to undermining of morale amongst remaining staff members. It also necessitated a drastic restructuring of the Clinic, which was detrimental to its operational capacity and core mission.

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11 UWC Legal Aid Clinic	The clinic covers the cost iro Sheriff fees. With the increase in Sheriff fees, our budget was depleted during April 2016.
12 Wits Law Clinic	-The #feesmustfall protest hindered the ability of clients to access campus -Increased sheriff costs could potentially affect the output capacity of the provision on legal services
13 Legal Aid Clinic - Stellenbosch University	Lack of funding.
14 UFS Law Clinic	Lack of capacity and inability of poverty stricken clients to pay for disbursements.
15 University of Fort Hare Law Clinic	Shortage of staff and space for the legal clinic internship.
16 University of Kwazulu- Natal Law Clinic (PMB)	human and financial resources
17 University of South Africa Law Clinic	Bureaucracy on appointments of attorneys, and filling the vacant positions. Being a law clinic in an ODL context, in light of many developments and changes. The need for clinical education to all registered LLB students is growing but we cannot fill the void, and we struggle to convince the higher powers of the need for that to students.
19 Walter Sisulu University Law Clinic	a) Pack of funding b) Phadequate number staffing