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### **CLIFTON FOURTH BEACH:**

#### **HIGH COURT DISMISSES PPA'S URGENT APPLICATION AGAINST PSiRA**

**Pretoria, 20 February 2019-** Following the much-publicised alleged eviction of beachgoers at the Clifton Fourth Beach, Western Cape, on 23 December 2018, the Private Security Industry Regulatory Authority (PSiRA) subsequently conducted an investigation into the conduct of Professional Protection Alternatives (PPA) and its employees who were reported to have been at the scene- at it is the Authority's statutory mandate to do so. As it is now public knowledge, in January 2019, the Authority suspended three Security Officers who are employees of PPA for contravention of the industry's Code of Conduct.

Today, 20 February 2019, PPA filed an urgent application against PSiRA in the North Gauteng High Court, Pretoria, to compel PSiRA to reinstate the suspended registration of its three Security Officers on the basis that the criminal charges which had been laid by the victims of their actions, were withdrawn.

The High Court dismissed PPA's application with costs for its "lack of urgency and for abusing the Court's processes". Accordingly, the Authority welcomes this judgement as it was an unnecessary exercise considering that the three officers had an opportunity to appeal against their suspended registration with the Authority.

Reacting to the latest developments, the CEO of PSiRA, Manabela Chauke, welcomed the judgement of the High Court.

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