

## THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEAL REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

## MEDIA STATEMENT - CASE HEARING IN SUPREME COURT OF APPEAL

From: The Registrar, Supreme Court of Appeal

Date: 16 March 2007

Status: Immediate

## N Z MNGOMEZULU & OTHERS v NATIONAL DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC PROSECUTIONS

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The appellant appealed against a restraint order granted by the WLD in terms of which a curator bonis appointed to administer the restrained property of the appellant was authorised to pay any expenses related to the assets which would ordinarily be carried by the estate of the appellant out of any assets under restraint and if no liquid assets were available, to sell assets under restraint in order to properly administer the assets under his control.

The appellant submitted that the order was beyond the competence of a High Court. The SCA held that in terms of s 28(1)(a) a High Court may authorise a curator bonis appointed in terms of that section to alienate property under restraint in order to properly administer the assets under his control.