



Ms Yanga Mputa
Tax Ombud

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INVITATION - PUBLIC LECTURE

As a build up to the 10th anniversary celebrations, the Office of the Tax Ombud (OTO), in collaboration with the University of Johannesburg (UJ), Department of Mercantile Law is hosting a public lecture on *'Making Taxpayers' Rights Matter - Promoting a fair tax administration system'*, to be delivered by the **Tax Ombud, Ms Yanga Mputa.**

Date: 31 August 2023

Time: 17h45 - 19h00

Venue: University of Johannesburg; Madibeng, Ubuntu Chambers

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BIOGRAPHY: MS YANGA MPUTA

Ms Yanga Mputa is the newly appointed and first female Tax Ombud, joining the Office of the Tax Ombud (OTO) in July 2023. She is an Admitted Attorney of the High Court of South Africa and holds prestigious qualifications, including B.Proc, LLB, PG-Dip Tax, LLM, and M-Com International Tax. With over 20 years of combined experience working for the National Treasury and the South African Revenue Service (SARS), she brings extensive experience and expertise in tax law and policy to her new position.

Her career began as a Candidate Attorney with the Legal Aid Board's Human Rights Centre and Legal Aid Clinic from 1996 to 1999. Since then, she has held various senior positions in organisations such as Arthur Andersen, SARS, and National Treasury. At SARS, she served as a Tax Specialist in Large Business Centre and Head Office components from 1999 to 2001 and 2009 to 2014 respectively. Within National Treasury's Legal Tax Design unit, she advanced from Deputy Director (International Tax) in 2003-2006 to Director (International Tax) between 2006 and 2009. This was before taking over as Chief Director: Legal Tax Design within Tax Policy from 2014 until June 2023.

Ms Mputa has extensive tax technical skills and experience encompassing personal income tax for high-net-worth individuals and expatriates, employment tax issues, retirement tax matters, business tax aspects, exemptions and incentives, international tax affairs, exchange control issues related to tax, and financial sector taxation topics, and has built up a formidable toolbox of expertise.

As the new Tax Ombud, she envisions the Office becoming structurally and operationally independent of SARS. Her priorities also include ensuring the Office continues to be a beacon of hope to taxpayers by striving to provide a better service, becoming accessible to all taxpayers, including underserved communities, and acting as a mechanism that helps resolve taxpayer complaints with SARS.

