

# **JASA**

## Justice Alliance of South Africa

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### **ONE-PAGE JASA UPDATE MAY 2009**

- 1. The GUN COMPENSATION CASE is fixed for hearing on August 31. We are very fortunate to have advocates Peter Hodes SC and Anton Katz conducting the case.**
- 2. The CIRCUMCISION CASE took pride of place in the eTV Big Debate this past week. It was aired four times. Both Bonani and John Smyth took part. Our cause received much sympathy and support. We are now seeking a date for hearing when Bonani is back from University mid-year.**
- 3. JASA has instructed Grant Gunston Inc to launch a High Court CASE AGAINST MARIE STOPES for medical negligence and failure to comply with the abortion legislation. The attorneys have agreed to act pro bono and are seeking counsel who will act on the same basis.**
- 4. Tina is investigating the case against Die Burger who insist on retaining on their website a series of incomplete and therefore misleading and defamatory articles about a qualified doctor relating to his student days. Defamation, breach of Privacy or what? It is difficult.**
- 5. Brendan is investigating what is prima facie a very serious series of allegations of abuse against a senior police officer.**
- 6. John Smyth and Lindsey Pettit are working on a test case in relation to YOUTHS KEPT IN CUSTODY IN POLLSMOOR FOR 4 YEARS OR MORE AWAITING TRIAL.**
- 7. Denise is busy researching what to do about the Chairman of the Broadcasting Complaints Commission of SA (BCCSA) who insists on ignoring the new (tighter) definition of pornography contained in the Sexual Offences Act.**
- 8. Brendan is writing a submission on the Trafficking Bill, and John on the Harrassment Bill.**
- 9. Brendan and John have been invited to attend the Law Reform Commission workshop on the proposals to change the PROSTITUTION LAWS – Cape Town May 28.**

**And so it goes on. We are committed to action, not words. We need your support.**

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***Upholding Justice in the Public Square***

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