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The outbreak of coronavirus (COVID-19) in China and its fast spread around the world made 2020 a challenging and unpredictable year, presenting innumerable challenges to the justice sectors of many countries. Despite this global challenge, courts in Zambia and across the globe continued to work at various capacities and handed down decisions, some of which are analyses in this edition of the SAIPAR Case Review (SCR).

We are very glad to present *Volume 3: Issue 2* of the SCR 2020. The current issue features 12 case reviews covering various branches of law, such as human rights, constitutional law, labour law, corporate, and investment law. The first three cases deal with fundamental constitutional and human rights cases. The first case, *Mutembo Nchito v Attorney General*, deals with the removal of the Director of Public Prosecution, while the case of *Kelving Hang'andu v Law Association of Zambia* deals with the issue of religious freedom and discrimination. The case of *Savenda Management Resources Limited v Stanbic Bank* deals with the issue of the interplay of contempt of court, freedom of expression and the right to fair trial.

These three cases are followed by a set of two cases dealing with employment law. These are *Prof. E. Clive Chirwa v Zambia Rialways* and *Phinate Chona v ZESCO*. These are followed by three commentaries focusing on mining and corporate law. These are the cases of *ZCCM Investment Holdings PLC v Konkola Copper Mines PLC* and *Vedanta Resources Holdings Limited v ZCCM Investment Holdings PLC* (which attracted two commentaries).

The final set of case notes are from other jurisdictions within Africa. The case of *Ituna and Others v Minister of Urban and Rural Development* deals with the issue of a disputed presidential election in Namibia, while the case of *Public Protector v South Africa Reserve Bank* brings out the challenges of having an independent central bank. The Case of *Omtatah and Others v Attorney General* comes from Kenya and deals with legality of procurement processes that disregard procedures laid down in law, while the case of *Okafor v Nweke* is from Nigeria and deals with the pertinent issue of finding an appropriate balance between technicalities and substantive justice.

We hope you will enjoy our selection of case reviews.

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