

# PROJECT: BRIBERY AND THE LAW (PART 2)

Corruption and bribery include the practice of tendering or accepting a private advantage to perform a duty.

It can also be described as the abuse of entrusted power for private benefit and basically entails performing an official duty or not doing so for some sort of gratification or gain.

The gratification can include but is not limited to money, donations, gifts, avoidance of loss or liability, and any other valuable consideration or benefit of any kind.

Read our introductory project with regards to this:

https://mikebh.link/nkLd9G

#### **BRIBES WITH REGARDS TO TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT:**

- Bribes are demanded in situations where road users have committed an offence of speeding, overloading a vehicle, driving without a valid driver's license, or driving an unlicensed vehicle or unroadworthy vehicle.
- Bribery may be used to escape a fine.
- Many road users would rather pay a traffic officer bribe than a hefty fine.
- Bribery can also be used for licensing irregularities, driver testing and false road-worthy certificates.

# The Criminal Procedure Act 51 of 1977 governs all procedures and related matters in criminal proceedings.

- The Prevention and Combatting of Corrupt Activities Act 12 of 2004 deals with people who are convicted of corrupt activities. (Anti-Corruption Law).
- Depending on the nature of the corrupt conduct, a court may impose a fine or a maximum sentence of life imprisonment if convicted and sentenced by a High Court.

#### **SENTENCES:**

Actual Sentences in South African Courts for Bribing Traffic Officers:

- The Mokopane Magistrates Court convicted a traffic officer on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of October 2023 on a charge of accepting a bribe of R200.00 and sentenced him to 3 years direct imprisonment without an option of a fine.
- The Atteridge Regional Court convicted a taxi driver on the 25<sup>th</sup> of March 2019 for bribing a traffic officer with R200.00 and was sentenced to 6 months imprisonment or a fine of R3,000.00.
- A traffic officer who solicited a bribe of R200.00 was sentenced to a fine of R10,000.00 in September 2020.
- This fine was payable in 10 instalments of R1,000.00.
- After the National Prosecuting Authority appealed to the Kimberley High Court, the Judge increased the fine to R60,000.00.

 Ermelo Regional Court sentenced a Mpumalanga traffic officer to 12 months imprisonment or a fine of R4,000.00 for accepting a bribe of R200.00.

Fraud or corruption in the public service should be reported as it undermines the integrity of all public servants.

You do not have to give your name when reporting fraud or corruption using:

NATIONAL ANTI-CORRUPTION HOTLINE: 0800 701 701 / 0861 400 800 (toll-free numbers)
NATIONAL ROAD TRAFFIC ANTI-CORRUPTION EMAIL:

NTACU@rtmc.co.za / publicservicecorruptionhotline.org.za / integrity@publicservicecorruptionhotline.org.za

**SMS:** 39772

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Specialised Security Services invites the public to the Mike Bolhuis Daily Projects WhatsApp Group.

We have decided to close the previous WhatsApp channel to avoid any duplication and to centralise our efforts.

This group is important in delivering insights into the latest crime trends, awareness, warnings and the exposure of criminals.

### HOW TO JOIN THE MIKE BOLHUIS DAILY PROJECTS WHATSAPP GROUP:

- Simply follow the link to our dedicated WhatsApp group: <a href="https://chat.whatsapp.com/Ew1H1dbUR988qoG8gei2sE">https://chat.whatsapp.com/Ew1H1dbUR988qoG8gei2sE</a>
- Hit the "FOLLOW" button to ensure you never miss our daily updates.
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- Please share this with family, friends and colleagues.

ALL INFORMATION RECEIVED WITH REGARD TO THE PROJECTS WILL BE TREATED IN THE STRICTEST CONFIDENTIALITY AND EVERY IDENTITY WILL BE PROTECTED.

#### You may forward this document.

#### Regards,

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**EXTREMELY IMPORTANT:** All potential clients need to be aware that owing to the nature of our work as specialist investigators there are people who have been caught on the wrong side of the law - who are trying to discredit me - Mike Bolhuis and my organisation Specialised Security Services - to get themselves off the hook.

This retaliation happens on social media and creates doubt about our integrity and ability. Doubt created on social media platforms is both unwarranted and untrue.

We strongly recommend that you make up your minds concerning me and our organisation only after considering all the factual information - to the exclusion of hearsay and assumptions.

Furthermore, you are welcome to address your concerns directly with me should you still be unsatisfied with your conclusions. While the internet provides a lot of valuable information, it is also a platform that distributes a lot of false information. The distribution of false information, fake news, slander and hate speech constitutes a crime that can be prosecuted by law. Your own research discretion and discernment are imperative when choosing what and what not to believe.

**STANDARD RULES APPLY:** Upon appointment, we require a formal mandate with detailed instructions. Please take note that should you not make use of our services – you may not under any circumstance use my name or the name of my organisation as a means to achieve whatever end.

POPI ACT 4 of 2013 South Africa: Mike Bolhuis' "Specialised Security

Services" falls under Section 6 of the act. Read more

here: https://mikebolhuis.co.za/popi-act-4-of-2013-section-6-mike-bolhuis/

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