

IN THE HIGH COURT OF SOUTH AFRICA KWAZULU-NATAL LOCAL DIVISION: DURBAN

CASE NO.: D1162/2025

BEFORE THE HONOURABLE ACTING JUSTICE BRAMDHEW

AT DURBAN ON 26th MARCH 2025



UPON the Motion of Counsel for the Applicant and upon reading the NOTICE OF MOTION and the other documents filed of record

IT IS ORDERED

- 1. That a rule nisi do hereby issue calling upon the respondents to show cause, if any, to this Court on the 29th day of July 2025 why an order in the following terms should not be granted:
 - 1.1 The respondents are interdicted and restrained from making written or verbal defamatory statements concerning the applicant, including by stating or implying that:

- the applicant conducts business unethically or dishonestly; 1:1.1
- the applicant defrauded the first respondent or the first respondent's company 1.1.2 including by misrepresenting that alternative electricity generation equipment being solar panels supplied by the applicant to the first respondent's company were manufactured locally when in truth and in fact they were manufactured in China;
- alleging or implying that the applicant has falsely inflated prices charged to 1.1.3 the first respondent or any of his companies, in the supply and/or installation of solar panels.
- that the aforesaid interdict will apply irrespective of to whom the said defamatory 1.2 allegations are made, but in the case of the first to third respondents will extend specifically to members of the press, Bongani Hans, the Independent Media Group, the International Trade Administration Commission of South Africa (ITAC), the Industrial Development Corporation of South Africa (IDC) and the Department of Trade, Industry and Competition (DTIC).
- The fourth respondent is interdicted from publishing any such statements, and 1.3 including publishing them as constituting allegations made by any third party to the effect set out in para 1.1 above;
- that the first to third respondents are directed to pay the costs of this application 1.4 jointly and severally, but in the event of the application being opposed by the fourth respondent, that all four respondents are to pay the costs jointly and severally, on scale C.
- Pending the return date or any extension thereof the provisions of paragraphs 1.1 to 1.3 2. above will operate as interim orders with immediate effect.

BY ORDER OF THE COURT



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