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NEWLY APPOINTED MAGISTRATES SWORN-IN

Lusaka, 29th January 2026 – His Lordship Hon. Mr. Justice Nigel Kalonde Mutuna, Hon. Judge of the Supreme Court, this morning swore-in newly appointed judicial officers comprising of one Resident Magistrate and thirteen Class III Magistrates, pursuant to Article 260 of the Constitution of Zambia.

In his address, Justice Mutuna extended his congratulations to the appointees and urged them to approach their duties with seriousness, integrity, and humility. He also reminded them of their constitutional obligations under Article 118, which require the Judiciary to dispense justice without discrimination, undue delay, and in a manner accountable to the people of Zambia.

His Lordship further encouraged the magistrates to make full use of Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) mechanisms, particularly court-annexed mediation, to resolve disputes better suited for amicable settlement, such as family matters or professional-client conflicts.

He cautioned the appointees against being consumed by the power and respect that accompany the adjudicative role, stressing the importance of humility and respect for all litigants. “Exhibit humility as you discharge your functions.

Respect everyone who appears before you; you will be amazed at how much you learn even from the person you assume to be the unimpressive litigant,” he said. He also encouraged the magistrates to find joy in their work, as enjoyment and commitment are essential to success in the judicial profession.

Those sworn in sworn in are:

1. Mable Njekwa Mwaba – Resident Magistrate
2. Amos Kasongo
3. Lawrence Phiri
4. Kasanga Muzala
5. Edmond Chipunda
6. Bertha Thandiwe Moyo
7. Ben Lucas Zulu
8. Mwamba Chisanga
9. Maudy Chilongo
10. Masola Simushi
11. Julia Zimbah
12. Elisha Thomson Banda
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