

JOB PROFILE

POSITION DESCRIPTION		
Position Title	Specialist: Employee Relations	
Purpose	The purpose of this position is to promote harmonious relationships in the workplace by designing, developing and implementing proactive employee relations policies, structures and procedures in order to mitigate any potential risk originating from the employer/employee relationship. The incumbent will provide advice on labour law/ industrial relations and policy matters and, facilitate consultations and negotiations between management and employees on matters of mutual interests and implement consequence management (grievance and misconduct) within NDA.	
Directorate	Corporate Services	
Reports To	Senior Manager: Human Resources	
Position location	National Office	
Peromnes Grade	Grade 7	
Number of Direct Reports	N/A	

POSITION REQUIREMENTS		
Minimum	A Bachelor's degree in Human Resources or Labour Relations or an	
Qualification	equivalent qualification	

Essential	At least 5 years in labour relations management	
Experience	At least 3 years experience in labour relations in public sector	
	Extensive experience in collective bargaining, grievance handling and	
	misconduct/consequence management	
Knowledge	Expert knowledge of the Labour Relations Act	
	Expert knowledge of other relevant HR legislation applicable to	
	employee relations environment	
	• Expert knowledge of CCMA rules, processes, procedures and dispute	
	resolution	
Core	Strategic Capability and Leadership	
Competencies	Policy conceptualization, analysis and implementation	
	People Management and Empowerment	
	 Programme and Project Management Financial Management Change Management 	
	Knowledge Management	
	Service Delivery Innovation	
	Problem Solving and Analysis	
	Client Orientation and Customer Focus	
	Communication	
	Honesty and Integrity	
	Interpersonal skills	
	Leveraging diversity	
	Coaching and mentoring	
Personal	Tenacity	
Attributes	Professionalism	
	Integrity	

MAIN AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY		
Institutionalisation	Ensure that proactive labour relations policies, structures and	
of the employee	procedures are in place and that they are properly communicated to	
relations function	all, consistently applied and they promote co-operation and respect	
and capacity	amongst all levels of staff to achieve stable and healthy	
within NDA	relationships.	
	Maintain and update all IR policies and procedures,	

	Ensure the enforcement and adherence of these policies and
	procedures by advising and monitoring management and staff.
	 Develop human and institutional capacity of NDA to implement the
	employee relations policies and to comply with statutory
	requirements.
	In conjunction with the OD unit, develop training programmes in
	employee relations for management and staff.
	Develop, implement and promote employee relations programmes or
	interventions.
Workplace	Facilitate the development and implementation of organisational
Relationship	rights agreements with union/s or employee representatives
Management	 Monitor, review, and suggest amendments to the relationship
	agreement as required.
	Facilitate the implementation of employee / (Union)/management
	meetings.
	Management of industrial action and provide technical support to
	NDA
	 Consult and advise management and employees with regard to
	legislation, policies, and procedures
	 Attend and/or facilitate divisional or unit meetings, when required
	and where employee relations are adversely affected.
	 Facilitate and maintain a good working relationship with union
	representatives
	 Maintain sound relationship with representatives from the Labour of
	Department, and any other government official and Service
	Providers
	 Monitor and ensure implementation of agreements between
	management and union/s.
IP Consultation	a Identify and/or avaluate sources of conflict and propose concerning to
IR Consultation	Identify and/or evaluate causes of conflict and propose appropriate
	corrective action
	Represent NDA at the CCMA in Conciliation and Arbitration matters
	In conjunction with the Legal and Risk Unit, facilitate and oversee
	any litigations emanating from employee relations
	Provide support to management and staff in managing performance
	and assist in the analysis of plans to resolve any identified

	performance problems.	
	Monitor the labour relations practices of all divisions	
	Monitor developments within the labour relations field and advise on	
	best labour relations practices	
	Represent management in consultation meetings with trade unions	
	 Assist Management in wage negotiations with trade unions 	
	Facilitate the resolution of formal grievance	
	 Handle disciplinary matters in the NDA following due process 	
Systems	Implement and maintain a comprehensive IR administration system.	
Management and	Maintain an up-to-date information management system of all IR-	
Reporting	related information	
	 Produce reports on IR trends or activities throughout the 	
	organization	
	Monitor internal labour relations trends and submit relevant reports	
	Remain apprised of all changes or relevant news, and provide	
	analysis and report on same.	

KEY RELATIONSHIP INTERFACES					
Internal Relationships - other than	External Relationships (With				
reporting lines (manager and	Local/Provincial structures and other key				
subordinates). *	parties, specify)				
NDA Management	Government Departments e.g. DSD and				
NDA Employees	DoL				
NDA Departments	• CCMA				
Employee Representatives	Labour Law Experts				
NDA Bargaining Forum structures					

Signed by:	Authorised by:
(Job Holder)	
Date:	Date: