

Kwazulu-Natal: Launched in November 2010, the Association represents 56 Community Advice Offices in 5 regions.



The regions include:

- Battlefields region
- Elephant Coast region
- Midlands region
- North Coast region
- South Coast region

Mission

The structure wants to see all Community Advice Offices self sustained in terms of resources and infrastructure.

Objectives of the Association

- To promote, coordinate, facilitate and support the work of CAOs.
- To contribute positively towards the image of paralegals in all CAOs.
- To ensure that justice is accessed and benefited by all and with equal treatment.
- To ensure that advice offices (through the efforts of paralegals) become the voice of those whose rights have been abused.
- To represent the interests of CAOs and paralegals at all forums.
- To build the capacity of CAOs, so that they produce good quality work.

Prevalent Issues

- Labour issues
- Domestic violence
- Ukuthwala
- Social services issues
- Child abuse issues
- Legal advice matters
- Evictions

- Farm labour issues
- Consumer Rights
- Human Trafficking
- Land Issues
- HIV/AIDS

Structure Operation

The Executive Committee is comprised of 5 individuals who maintain and oversee the operations of the Association. The Association is made up of 11 members, including 5 office bearers and 6 additional members.

Partnerships

- Legal Aid South Africa
- Department of Justice
- Department of Social Development
- Department of Education
- Black Sash
- NADCAO
- CRLDC/CCJ/IthembaLabantu
- South African Police Services
- Democracy Development Programme
- Commission for Gender Community
- Human Rights Commission
- Public Protector

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