



**Lisa Thornton Inc**  
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**A legal practice for the ICT industry, providing a range of services, including commercial, regulatory, intellectual property, administrative and constitutional law, litigation and policy advice, to all sectors of the industry, including new media, telecommunications, broadcasting, computing, e-commerce and associated sectors**

### Legal services

Lisa Thornton Inc provides services that are high quality, professional, solution oriented and timely.

The firm has been named as one of the leading firms in the area of technology, media and communications law in South Africa by PLCWhich Lawyer?.

Lisa Thornton has been named the leading individual by that publication and in Cross Border – Communications Handbook as the leading telecommunications lawyer. She has been listed in the International Who's Who of Business Lawyers.

Team work is important to provide quality services. Therefore, LTI teams up with others outside the practice, such as attorneys from other law firms and legal advisors, economists, researchers, and advocates.

We are committed to empowerment and work with persons who have been previously disadvantaged. We host workshops and have developed training materials on ICT law and policy issues for the ICT industry and the legal profession. We completed a skills development project that resulted in the publication of *Telecommunications Law in South Africa* (2006).

### Examples of our legal work

- Negotiating and drafting agreements (eg, service, interconnection, purchase, software development)
- Legal and regulatory due diligences
- Policy advice and representation
- International law
- Regulatory advice and representation (eg, licensing, spectrum, interconnection, rights of way, numbering)
- Representation of clients before regulatory agencies (eg, Icasa, Competition Commission)
- Administrative and constitutional law opinions
- Access to information advice
- Electronic Communications and Transactions Act opinions and advice
- Interception opinions and advice
- Research
- Drafting position papers
- Training

### Practice members

**Lisa Thornton** practised law in the USA starting with McCaw Cellular Communications. She moved to South Africa in 1994 and worked in land, housing, elections, local government, and administrative and constitutional law. Lisa is now back working for the ICT industry. Lisa has a BA in Political Science/Business (magna cum laude) from Georgetown College and a Juris Doctor from Georgetown University Law Center, both in the USA. Lisa also has a LLB from the University of the Witwatersrand. Lisa is admitted to practice law in South Africa and in the jurisdictions of the District of Columbia and the Commonwealth of Virginia in the USA.

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