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THE PASSING OF PROFESSOR MARINUS WIECHERS

The FW de Klerk Foundation with sadness observes the passing of Professor Marinus Wiechers, a member of the advisory panel of the Foundation's Centre for Constitutional Rights (CFCR). However, we also rejoice in the life and significant achievements of Marinus Wiechers.

Professor Wiechers was one of South Africa's first and foremost legal constitutional experts. He played a significant role in the drafting of both the Namibian and the South African constitutions. He was a consummate academic, with numerous research outputs and books of international quality. As Vice-Chancellor of UNISA, he played an important role in leading the largest South African university into a new era.

Professor Wiechers will be remembered by us and the nation for his intellect, his nuanced understanding of the South African landscape and his unrelenting commitment to our constitutional democracy. He played a valuable role as an adviser to the CFR. His passing leaves a gap among principled constitutional democrats working to ensure that the constitutional premise of social justice becomes a reality for all South Africans.

We salute a great South African and honour his heritage.

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