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## THE PRESIDENCY

No. 659 18 July 2001

It is hereby notified that the Acting President has assented to the following Act, which is hereby published for general information:—

No. 10 of 2001: Patents Amendment Act, 2001.

## DIE PRESIDENSIE

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Hierby word bekend gemaak dat die Waarnemende President sy goedkeuring geheg het aan die onderstaande Wet wat hierby ter algemene inligting gepubliseer word:—

No. 10 van 2001: Wysigingswet op Patente, 2001.



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**GENERAL EXPLANATORY NOTE:**

- [                    ]    Words in bold type in square brackets indicate omissions from existing enactments.
- Words underlined with a solid line indicate insertions in existing enactments.
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*(English text signed by the Acting President.)*  
*(Assented to 13 July 2001.)*

# ACT

To amend the Patents Act, 1978, so as to extend the right of a party to any proceedings before the commissioner to be represented thereat by an attorney who has been granted the right of appearance in the High Court in terms of the Right of Appearance in Courts Act, 1995; and to provide for matters connected therewith.

**B**E IT ENACTED by the Parliament of the Republic of South Africa, as follows:—

**Amendment of section 19 of Act 57 of 1978**

1. Section 19 of the Patents Act, 1978, is hereby amended by the substitution for subsection (3) of the following subsection: 5

“(3) A party to any proceedings before the commissioner may appear in person or be represented thereat by—

*(a)* an advocate; **[or]**

*(b)* an agent; or

*(c)* an attorney who has been granted the right of appearance in the High Court in terms of section 4 of the Right of Appearance in Courts Act, 1995 (Act No. 62 of 1995).” 10

**Short title**

2. This Act is called the Patents Amendment Act, 2001.