

## RAMOKONE KGATLAS PROFILE

Mrs Ramokone Kgatla has a dynamic and extensive experience, having worked in the teaching, administration and cultural spaces.

Prior to joining the Commission for the Promotion and Protection of the Rights of Cultural, Religious and Linguistic Communities (CRL Rights Commission), in the Republic of South Africa in 2019, she had just completed a seven year period as a member of the Commission on Traditional Leadership Disputes and Claims; in which she served both as a member and chairperson of its Limpopo Province chapter. The Commission successfully completed half a thousand plus files brought before the Commission.

She has had a lifelong association with the education and teaching space, having taught and lectured at various learning and teaching institutions such as Mokopane and Setotlwane colleges of Education, University of the North (Limpopo) and Tshwane University of Technology.

In administration she worked at the Mokerong Magistrate offices, as interpreter, translator and clerk.

It was at the University of the North where she spent almost two and a half decades as a lecturer and senior lecturer in the faculty of Humanities. She wrote books and study and teaching guides. She also participated in various fora promoting languages (vernacular) and culture, with strong emphasis on promoting and preserving languages and cultures in a changing South Africa. Ramokone Kgatla was requested by established book publishers, such as Oxford University Press and Maskew Miller to translate some of their works into Northern Sotho and English.

In recognition of her passion for teaching and education, the Tshwane University of Technology invited her and she subsequently joined its branch in Pretoria. She taught Northern Sotho, General Language Dynamics and Language Translation Practice.

Mrs Ramokone Kgatla holds a Master of Arts degree from the University of Pretoria.