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Dr. Melodie Nöthling Slabbert obtained her BA, BA (Hons), MA and DLitt from the University of Pretoria, and her LLB and LLD (in medical law under the supervision of Prof SA Strauss) from the University of South Africa. She was admitted as an advocate of the High Court of South Africa in 1996. She studied as part of her doctoral research at the Max Planck Institutes in Heidelberg, Freiburg and Munich. She received various international research grants to conduct research in Finland, Germany, Australia, Spain, France, Scotland, the Netherlands and Belgium. During 2001-2002 she lectured medical law and ethics at the Adelaide University Law School in South Australia. She is presently the chairperson of the Inter-University Centre for Education Law and Policy and has served on the boards of the SAMLS and Dignity SA. She

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