

## **Political Rights**

In terms of Section 19 of the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa, 1996:

- 1. Every citizens is free to make political choices, which includes the right
  - a) to from a political party;
  - b) to participate in the activities of, or recruit members for, a political party; and
  - c) to campaign for a political party or cause.
- 2. Every citizen has the right to free, fair and regular elections for any legislative body established in terms of the Constitution.
- 3. Every adult has the right
  - a) to vote in elections for any legislative body established in terms of the Constitution, and to do so in secret; and
  - b) to stand for public office and, if elected, to hold office.

## **Electoral Commission**

Ensuring Free and Fair Elections