



# RIDING & WATT

## PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYORS

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CLAUS FRIEDRICH RIDING B. Sc. L.S. (S.A.)

## PRACTICE PROFILE

### Our Business

Riding & Watt is a firm of Professional Land Surveyors specializing in cadastral surveys and the provision of information and plans (digital and hardcopy) on all land matters, using up-to-date technology in the production thereof.

Our clients expect us to provide fast and accurate data. We do this by the integration of our databases with information from the Deeds Offices, the Surveyors-General and the Chief-Director of Surveys & Mapping.

### Building Success Based on Experience

Riding & Watt's expertise in and extensive knowledge of the surveying business ensures that clients receive the best possible service. Our firm is a continuation of over 100 years land surveying services in our main areas of operation (Worcester, Tulbagh, Ceres, Prince Alfred's Hamlet, the Koue Bokkeveld region, the Tanqua Karoo and the Swartland, Saldanha, Cederberg, Bergrivier, Hantam & Karoo Hoogland municipal areas).

### Our Clients

Our customers are and have been the Government, local authorities, engineering firms, estate agents, farmers, consultants, the man in the street, in other words, everyone who has a need for land information.

### Our History

1910 - 1953: Frank Theron Snr and Johnny Andrews provide Ceres with survey services from Worcester, practicing as Theron & Andrews.

1953 - 1960: Frank Theron Jnr opens the Ceres office. Ronald Watt joins in 1959, practicing as Theron, Andrews & Watt.

1960 - 1970: Anton Nel joins the Worcester branch. The firm is renamed Andrews, Watt & Nel.

1979: Claus Riding joins Andrews, Watt & Nel in Worcester.

1983: Claus Riding starts to manage the Ceres office and starts Riding & Watt.

## **Our Offices**

Our offices are situated in the Western Cape town of Ceres, central to our main area of operations and 140km from Cape Town.

## **Our People**

The firm is a sole ownership. We consist of one owner, one technical surveyor, one secretary and one labourer.

## **Associations**

We work in association with:

Ralph Middleton, Professional Land Surveyor, Middleton Geomatics, Cape Town & Beaufort West

Arvind N. Bhawan, Professional Land Surveyor, Cape Town

Johann Nieder-Heitman, Base Plan Professional Land Surveyors, Cape Town

Ramon Odendal, Professional Land Surveyor, Ceres

Jan Truter, South Consulting, Professional Town & Regional Planner, Piketberg

Anna-Christa Redelinghuys, UMSIZA Planning, Professional Town & Regional Planner, Robertson

Extra labourers and technicians are employed if and when needed.

## CURRICULUM VITAE: CLAUS FRIEDRICH RIDING

<p><b>Professional Experience</b></p>	<p>1979 – Join Andrews, Watt &amp; Nel, Professional Land Surveyors, Worcester, Western Cape</p> <p>1979 - 1983 Professional Assistant at Andrews, Watt &amp; Nel</p> <p>1983 Take over the Ceres branch office, become a partner in Andrews, Watt &amp; Nel</p> <p>1984 Dissolve partnership and form Riding &amp; Watt, Professional Land Surveyors, Ceres</p> <p>1984 – 2022</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Become known as <i>the</i> source of fast and accurate cadastral data.</li> <li>• Acquire the latest in software and hardware to deal with any survey matters.</li> <li>• Build up and maintain a database of Surveyor-General data which covers the Western &amp; Northern Cape</li> <li>• Do township planning for Ceres, Tulbagh, Wolseley, Gouda &amp; Prince Alfred's Hamlet</li> <li>• Deal with Subdivision, Rezoning, Removal of Restrictions applications (rural and urban)</li> <li>• We have a database of all cadastral boundaries within South Africa</li> <li>• Dam monitoring of the Koekedouw Dam at Ceres</li> <li>• Levelling</li> <li>• Prepare and maintain GIS's (ours and the Witzenberg Municipality's) using PlanetGIS</li> </ul>
<p><b>Education</b></p>	<p>1974-1978 B.Sc. Land Survey (UCT)</p> <p>1985 – 1990 Dipl. Datametrics (UNISA)</p>
<p><b>Professional Memberships</b></p>	<p>South African Council for Professional and Technical Surveyors (PLATO) now known as the South African Geomatics Council (SAGC)</p> <p>The South African Geomatics Institute (SAGI)</p>