

A BRIEF HISTORY OF THE ASSOCIATION FOR THE PROTECTION OF ROAD ACCIDENT VICTIMS



● PRE 2014

Road Accident Fund (RAF)
published in 1996

Amendment – 2005/8

General damages claims
significantly limited following the
2008 RAF Act amendment

RAF changes its approach to
making offers and more & more
claims require legal action to be
progressed...a new RAF era
starts...and not in a good way

● 2014

DoT (Dept of Transport)
publishes the RABS Bill on 9 May

APRAV formed in May 2014

Adopts APRAV Constitution in
July 2014

Adopts initial management
structure & shoe-string budget

Initial meetings with various
industry players

APRAV workshop on 19 June & ID
that the RABS Bill will have far-
reaching adverse on SA and its
road users.

5 Oct – APRAV submits firsts
official document to DG of
Transport

● 2015

Formed the national Solutions
Task Team under Prof H Klopper

Started attending Portfolio
Committee (PoCT) on Transport
meetings

Drafted initial 4-point APRAV
strategy

APRAV WC Task Team formed

Open Letter to Min of Transport,
Dipuo Peters.

APRAV submits comments to
NEDLAC

RAF commenced in earnest with
'RAF-on-the-Road'

● 2016

Filed complaint with LSNP (Law
Society Northern Provinces) re
RAF direct claims

Attended RAF-on-the-Road
sessions

Filed a complaint with RAF Board
re solicitation of direct claims

Uncovered proof of thousands
of prescribed direct RAF claims &
shared with authorities

Facilitated cancellation of 2
major tenders in lieu of RABS

Publishes information on the
unlawful nature of the
outsourcing of claims to service
providers

● 2017

30 April – APRAV submits further
comments on the RABS Bill to the
Chairperson or the Portfolio
Committee on Transport

30 May – full presentation to PoCT

DA files criminal charges against
RAF leadership for summoning
themselves to stay prescription of
direct claims

Facilitates gathering of requested
information by HAWKS nationally

● 2018

Attended all PoCT meetings with
RAF & RABS on the agenda

Attended all 11 PoCT public
'consultation' sessions

Presented in Parliament APRAV
input on RABS

Facilitated actuarial calculations
on RABS issues

Facilitated NA Rule 292 input by
non-members of the PoCT

Assisted that 2 NA voting
attempts to approve RABS, failed

● 2019

Expanded 4-point strategy to
include RAF Rescue Plan +
Comms Strategy

Facilitates continued alignment
between all opposition parties

Continued monitoring of PoCT
agendas

DA files a review application on
their 'rejected' Minority Report of
RABS

Facilitation of preparation of NA
Rule 292 input by non-members
of the PoCT

Ongoing ...

