**MOLOJOA, AJ - DEFAULT JUDGMENT TRIAL COURT DIRECTIVES, 26 FEBRUARY TO 1 MARCH 2024**

Default Judgment Court Directive

1. The parties’ attention is drawn to the Notice issued by the office of the Deputy Judge President on 19 February 2024, titled “Important notice: changes to the Road Accident Default Judgment Court” (Ref: DJP/373/2023/lt), particularly paragraph 2 thereof (including sub-paragraphs).

2. In light of the above, roll call for all matters will commence on Tuesday, 27 February 2024 at 09:30, whereafter further directives will be issued and allocations made.

3. All matters will be heard in open court at 9:30. Courtroom allocations are published by the office of the Deputy Judge President.

4. If counsel is not present and has not been excused when the matter is called, the matter will be moved to the end of the roll and called again. If counsel is not present when the matter is called for a second time, the matter will be removed from the roll.

5. Parties must ensure that their matters are accessible on CaseLines (including matters that were initiated on CourtOnline). Should a matter not be accessible by Monday, 26 February 2024 at 08:00, parties run the risk of their matters being removed from the roll.

6. Any affidavit evidence that a party intends to rely on, must be uploaded by no later than Friday, 23 February 2024 at 18:00. Parties run the risk of their matters being removed from the roll if their affidavit evidence is not uploaded by the prescribed date and time.

7. All practice notes, heads of argument and draft orders (in MS Word format) must be uploaded by no later than Friday, 23 February 2024 at 18:00. Parties run the risk of their matters being removed from the roll if their practice notes and/or heads of argument are not uploaded by the prescribed date and time.

8. Draft orders must be uploaded onto CaseLines in MS Word format, must clearly reflect the surname of the presiding judge (MOLOJOA AJ), the date, the name(s) of the counsel and attorney(s), their respective telephone / cellular phone numbers and email addresses. All draft orders must be signature ready and a hard copy must be brought to court. All draft orders should reflect Gauteng Division and not Gauteng Local Division.

9. Please contact the Judge’s Secretary, Ms Yasmeen Jooma (YJooma@judiciary.org.za) should there any be any removals / withdrawals / settlements, as soon as possible, but by no later than Friday, 23 February 2024 at 18:00.

10. The Acting Judge may communicate with the parties’ representatives via widely shared notes posted on the electronic file. Legal representatives are to look out for these communications and are requested to respond to such communications.

11. Counsel are excused from introducing themselves in chambers. Introductions shall take place at the hearing.