

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF SOUTH AFRICA
GAUTENG LOCAL DIVISION, JOHANNESBURG
WEDNESDAY 13TH NOVEMBER 2024**

THE DEFAULT MODE OF HEARING OF MATTERS IS IN PHYSICAL COURT

**EVEN THOUGH THE DEFAULT MODE OF HEARINGS IS PHYSICAL, JUDGES
MAY ELECT TO PROCEED VIRTUALLY**

**LITIGANTS ARE TO CONFIRM THE MANNER IN WHICH THE HEARING WILL BE
CONDUCTED WITH THE SECRETARY OF THE PRESIDING JUDGE**

**IN VIRTUAL HEARINGS, THE LINK WILL BE CREATED BY THE SECRETARY
OF THE PRESIDING JUDGE AND CIRCULATED TO THE LITIGANTS**

OPPOSED MOTION

9C BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE SUTHERLAND DJP

9D BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE LIEBENBERG AJ

GB BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE S. KRUGER AJ

Video-link BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE VAN EEDEN AJ

9F BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE CORNELISSEN AJ

8F BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE ALLEN AJ

UNOPPOSED MOTION

GC BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE OPPERMAN J

GD BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE CRUTCHFIELD J

GE BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE NGENO AJ

URGENT APPLICATIONS

9A BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE WEPENER J

9B BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MANOIM J

SPECIAL MOTION

11A BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MALI J
2014/42334

INCOME TAX COURT

BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE KEKANA AJ

FAMILY COURT

11B BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE FISHER J

11C BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MINNAAR AJ

SPECIAL INTERLOCUTORY COURT

Video-link BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE SIWENDU J

RAF DEFAULT JUDGMENT COURT

8A BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE WEIDEMAN AJ

FULL COURT APPEALS: CIVIL

Video-link BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE VAN OOSTEN J
AND BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MODIBA J
BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE BOOYSEN AJ
A2023-091028 A2023-052830 A2022-041463

COMMERCIAL COURT

11D BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE TWALA J

11E BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE SENYATSI J

CIVIL TRIAL OF LONG DURATION

8E BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MABESELE J

1A BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE ADAMS J

GA BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE NTANGA AJ
2019/34446

GENERAL CIVIL TRIALS

Video-link BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE WINDELL J

8C BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE WRIGHT J

Video-link BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MUDAU J

8D BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE S. VAN NIEUWENHUIZEN AJ

6A BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE VAN TONDER AJ

6B BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MANENTSA AJ

6C BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE RAUBENHEIMER AJ

THE CIVIL TRIAL ROLL BEFORE SUTHERLAND DJP.

THERE SHALL BE NO PHYSICAL TRIAL ROLL CALL.

PARTIES MUST COMPLY STRICTLY WITH THE PROVISIONS OF PARAGRAPH
19 OF THE ABOVEMENTIONED DIRECTIVE.

Regarding Practice Notes:

1. *What is envisaged is a practice note filed **shortly before the trial** after a last check on whether a trial is necessary at all, and if so, how expeditiously can it be conducted. Axiomatically this assessment can only be made shortly before trial.*
2. *In several instances, a practice note is filed months before the trial date. This is of **no value** in declaring the status quo on the eve of trial. When matters are struck off because no recent practice note was filed, parties are understandably disappointed. The **recent** practice note is critical to the optimal utilisation of court time, and it must therefore be so that it must indeed be recent.*
3. *Litigants' attention is drawn to paragraphs 19.3, 19.4 and 19.5 of Practice Directive 01 of 2024 which came*

*into effect from 26 February 2024 and which were amended on 12 June 2024. The practice note, prepared in accordance with the practice note templates annexed to the Directive must be uploaded not earlier than **7 court** days and not later than **5 court** days before the hearing set-down. If no practice note is timeously uploaded (or uploaded after the cut-off date), the matter shall automatically be removed from the roll, and the date forfeited. If the practice note is non-compliant with the practice manual or Practice Directive 01 of 2024, the matter shall be automatically removed and similarly the date forfeited. The provision shall be strictly applied.*

4. LAST DATE TO SUBMIT
PRACTICE NOTES: WEDNESDAY,
06 NOVEMBER 2024

**JUDGES, ACTING JUDGES AND LITIGANTS
ARE REMINDED OF CHAPTER 6.9 OF THE
PRACTICE MANUAL DATED OCTOBER 2018
WHICH DEALS WITH THE PROCEDURE TO
ENROLL PART-HEARD CIVIL TRIALS**

NOTE ON CIVIL TRIALS WHERE ON THE DAY IT IS CALLED THE PARTIES ANNOUNCE A DESIRE TO SETTLE

1. Judges and Acting Judges serving in the civil trial court must be circumspect when confronted by parties who seek a stand-down to settle.
2. Valuable judicial time is squandered whilst waiting on an agreement to be produced, if at all.
3. The standard procedure is that if a trial is not ready to run at 10h00 on the set down date it should be removed with no costs order. The judge is then available to take the next case.
4. In a case where the parties do settle in that week, an agreement can be brought to the judge who was presiding for it to be made an order. If settled later, the opportunity to re-enrol it on the settlement roll on one weeks' notice remains available
5. The cases awaiting a judge's attention must not be left to linger and risk being crowded out.

The abuse by parties is particularly prevalent in RAF cases.

NUMBER ON ROLL	CASE NO	PARTIES	DATE TRIAL DATE APPLIED FOR	DATE TRIAL DATE GRANTED	ALLOCATION/ORDER GRANTED
PART A: GENERAL CIVIL TRIALS					
PART B: ROAD ACCIDENT FUND					
1.	2017/22151	PHILLIP NTAMBO NHLAPHO VS ROAD ACCIDENT FUND Plaintiff: Adv M Ndubani Merits and quantum (general damages; loss of earnings) Estimated duration: 1 – 3 days Default judgment	01/09/2023	04/10/2023	MATTER STANDS TO BE ALLOCATED. THE ALLOCATION WILL OCCUR AS SOON AS A JUDGE BECOMES AVAILABLE. THE PARTIES WILL BE NOTIFIED PER E-MAIL WHEN THE ALLOCATION OCCURS. <u>MATTERS CROWDED OUT:</u> IF ANY MATTER RIPE FOR TRIAL CANNOT BE ALLOCATED TO A JUDGE, THE MATTER SHALL STAND OVER UNTIL THE NEXT COURT DAY

2.	2022/2069	<p>SIBUSISO GODFREY HLATSHWAYO VS ROAD ACCIDENT FUND</p> <p>Plaintiff: Adv K Ramawela Defendant: Ms S Ameersingh Quantum (general damages; loss of earnings; future medical expenses) Pre-trial conference: 27 November 2023 Minutes filed: 11 December 2023 Estimated duration: 2 – 3 days Interpreter to be used</p>	11/12/2023	13/12/2023	<p>MATTER STANDS TO BE ALLOCATED. THE ALLOCATION WILL OCCUR AS SOON AS A JUDGE BECOMES AVAILABLE. THE PARTIES WILL BE NOTIFIED PER E-MAIL WHEN THE ALLOCATION OCCURS.</p> <p><u>MATTERS CROWDED OUT:</u> IF ANY MATTER RIPE FOR TRIAL CANNOT BE ALLOCATED TO A JUDGE, THE MATTER SHALL STAND OVER UNTIL THE NEXT COURT DAY</p>
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3.	2018/18996	<p>ESAU SEBOLAI VS ROAD ACCIDENT FUND</p> <p>Plaintiff: Adv N Makopo Defendant: Ms S Ameersingh Quantum (past medical expenses; past loss of earnings; earning capacity; future loss of earnings; general damages) Pre-trial conference: 17 April 2019; 22 September 2022; 08 June 2023; 05 September 2024 Estimated duration: 2 – 3 days</p>	13/06/2023	18/08/2023	<p>MATTER STANDS TO BE ALLOCATED. THE ALLOCATION WILL OCCUR AS SOON AS A JUDGE BECOMES AVAILABLE. THE PARTIES WILL BE NOTIFIED PER E-MAIL WHEN THE ALLOCATION OCCURS.</p> <p><u>MATTERS CROWDED OUT:</u> IF ANY MATTER RIPE FOR TRIAL CANNOT BE ALLOCATED TO A JUDGE, THE MATTER SHALL STAND OVER UNTIL THE NEXT COURT DAY</p>
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4.	2021/56231	SMITH CINDY CARON VS ROAD ACCIDENT FUND Plaintiff: Adv R Oosthuizen Defendant: Mr L Klaas Quantum (future loss of earnings; earning capacity; general damages; future medical expenses) Pre-trial conference: 07 July 2023 Estimated duration: 1 – 2 hours (if argued); 1 – 2 days (if evidence led)	07/09/2023	08/09/2023	MATTER STANDS TO BE ALLOCATED. THE ALLOCATION WILL OCCUR AS SOON AS A JUDGE BECOMES AVAILABLE. THE PARTIES WILL BE NOTIFIED PER E-MAIL WHEN THE ALLOCATION OCCURS. <u>MATTERS CROWDED OUT:</u> IF ANY MATTER RIPE FOR TRIAL CANNOT BE ALLOCATED TO A JUDGE, THE MATTER SHALL STAND OVER UNTIL THE NEXT COURT DAY
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5.	2020/26025	<p>TLAPU STOFFEL VS ROAD ACCIDENT FUND</p> <p>Plaintiff: Adv Z Khan Defendant: Ms B M More Quantum (future medical expenses; past and future loss of earnings; general damages) Pre-trial conference: 06 April 2023 Estimated duration: 1 – 2 days Interpreter to be used</p>	27/04/2023	26/05/2023	<p>MATTER STANDS TO BE ALLOCATED. THE ALLOCATION WILL OCCUR AS SOON AS A JUDGE BECOMES AVAILABLE. THE PARTIES WILL BE NOTIFIED PER E-MAIL WHEN THE ALLOCATION OCCURS.</p> <p><u>MATTERS CROWDED OUT:</u> IF ANY MATTER RIPE FOR TRIAL CANNOT BE ALLOCATED TO A JUDGE, THE MATTER SHALL STAND OVER UNTIL THE NEXT COURT DAY</p>
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6.	2021/37543	<p>LEBOGANG DINA VS ROAD ACCIDENT FUND</p> <p>Plaintiff: Adv N Zwane Defendant: Ms N Mhlongo Merits and quantum (future medical expenses; loss of earnings; general damages) Pre-trial conference: 10 July 2023 Minutes filed: 05 November 2024 Estimated duration: 1 day</p>	29/09/2023	27/10/2023	<p>MATTER STANDS TO BE ALLOCATED. THE ALLOCATION WILL OCCUR AS SOON AS A JUDGE BECOMES AVAILABLE. THE PARTIES WILL BE NOTIFIED PER E-MAIL WHEN THE ALLOCATION OCCURS.</p> <p><u>MATTERS CROWDED OUT:</u> IF ANY MATTER RIPE FOR TRIAL CANNOT BE ALLOCATED TO A JUDGE, THE MATTER SHALL STAND OVER UNTIL THE NEXT COURT DAY</p>
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7.	2019/5198	<p>MTHEMBU ELIZABETH PHUMZILE OBO MTHEMBU SIYABONGA PROMISE VS ROAD ACCIDENT FUND</p> <p>Plaintiff: Adv R Manzini Defendant: Ms J Mhlanga Merits and quantum (general damages; loss of earnings) Pre-trial conference: 12 May 2023 Minutes filed: 07 June 2023 Estimated duration: 2 – 3 days Interpreter to be used</p>	07/06/2023	11/08/2023	<p>MATTER STANDS TO BE ALLOCATED. THE ALLOCATION WILL OCCUR AS SOON AS A JUDGE BECOMES AVAILABLE. THE PARTIES WILL BE NOTIFIED PER E-MAIL WHEN THE ALLOCATION OCCURS.</p> <p><u>MATTERS CROWDED OUT:</u> IF ANY MATTER RIPE FOR TRIAL CANNOT BE ALLOCATED TO A JUDGE, THE MATTER SHALL STAND OVER UNTIL THE NEXT COURT DAY</p>
MATTERS REMOVED FROM THE ROLL BY NOTICE					

MATTERS NOT ON THE ROLL, COURT FILES ARE NOT WITH ROLL CALLING JUDGE

1. The civil trial roll is submitted to the Office of the Deputy Judge President by the Registrar approximately nine (09) court days before the trial date and was correct when it reached the Secretary of the Deputy Judge President.
2. The roll received from the registrar's office is then posted on the website of the Johannesburg Society of Advocates approximately five (05) court days before the trial date, where litigants may inspect the roll.
3. The failure of the registrar to include matters on the roll must be taken up with the Registrar by no later than five (05) court days before the trial date. For that purpose, kindly approach the registrar, **Ms N Mvumbi** (NMvumbi@judiciary.org.za / 010 494 8399) timeously to enquire about the enrolment.
4. If the **registrar** approves the enrolment, the matter may be enrolled and dealt with. If the registrar declines the enrolment, the parties may apply for a new trial date in terms of the existing Practice Directives.
5. Last-minute enquiries will not be accommodated.

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