# IN THE HIGH COURT OF SOUTH AFRICA GAUTENG LOCAL DIVISION, JOHANNESBURG TUESDAY 18 FEBRUARY 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 MABESELE J
- 9D BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE WRIGHT J
- 11C BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE KOOVERJIE J
- 9F BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE ALLEN AJ
- 8F BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE SNYMAN AJ
- 8E BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MITCHELL AJ

### **UNOPPOSED MOTION**

- GC BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUGDE MAHOMED J
- GD BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE E DU PLESSIS J
- GE BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MABASA AJ

#### **URGENT APPLICATIONS**

- 9A BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE YACOOB J
- 9B BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MAHOSI J

#### **INCOME TAX COURT**

BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE WANLESS J

#### **FAMILY COURT**

Video-link BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MAIER-FRAWLEY J

11B BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MARCANDONATOS AJ

### SPECIAL INTERLOCUTORY COURT

GB BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE NOKO J

# RAF DEFAULT JUDGMENT COURT

- 8A BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE WEIDEMAN AJ
- 8B BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE L M JOUBERT AJ

# FULL COURT APPEAL - CIVIL (SECTION 18 APPEAL)

11F AND BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE ADAMS J
AND BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE DIPPENAAR J
AND BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE BOTSI-THULARE AJ
COLGATE-PALMOLIVE (PTY) LTD AND ANOTHER v BLISS BRANDS (PTY) LTD AND
ANOTHER (CASE NO: 2024-095598)

# **CIVIL TRIALS OF LONG DURATION**

- Video-link BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE SENYATSI J 2015/19708
- GA BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE NTLAMA-MAKHANYA AJ 2021/18281
- 1A BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MANAMELA AJ 2012/17077

# **GENERAL CIVIL TRIALS**

BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE DIPPENAAR J

- 8C BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE WANLESS J
- 6A BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MFENYANA J
- 6B BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MAHLANGU AJ
- 6C BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE NHAMURAVATE AJ
- 8D BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE VELE AJ
- 11D BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE VENTER AJ

Video-link BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE J. C PRINSLOO AJ

# THE CIVIL TRIAL ROLL BEFORE SUTHERLAND DJP.

THERE SHALL BE NO PHYSICAL TRIAL ROLL CALL.

PARTIES MUST COMPLY STRICTLY WITH THE PROVISIONS OF PARAGRAGH
19 OF THE REVISED CONSOLIDATED PRACTICE DIRECTIVE 01 OF 2024 (With
effect from 26 February 2024 and amended on 12 June 2024)

# 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: **TUESDAY, 11 FEBRUARY 2025** 

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
		PAR	ΓA: GENERAL (	CIVIL TRIALS	
1.	2019/13425	MATHE MDELWA SIMON VS MINISTER OF POLICE Plaintiff: Adv J M van Rooyen Defendant: Adv L Nkosi Assault Estimated duration: 5 days Pre-trial conference: 05 June 2023; 30 January 2025 Minutes filed: 15 June 2023	29/06/2023	25/07/2023	NHARMAVATE AJ Secretary: Ms Z Twaku Email: ZTwaku@judiciary.org.za
2.	2014/8529	BANDA PHANUEL VS MINISTER OF POLICE	19/07/2023	18/08/2023	Matter is removed from the trial roll by notice – matter has become settled

3.	2016/10243	EJIOFOR FELIX NNAEMEKA	21/12/2023	24/01/2024	MATTER STANDS TO BE
		VS MINISTER OF POLICE			ALLOCATED. THE
		Plaintiff: adv M O Mudimeli			ALLOCATION WILL OCCUR
		Defendant: A Hongo			AS SOON AS A JUDGE
		Arrest, detention			BECOMES AVAILABLE. THE
		Estimated duration: 1 – 2 days Interpreter to be used			PARTIES WILL BE NOTIFIED
		Merits and quantum (contumelia;			PER E-MAIL WHEN THE
		loss of income; general damages)			ALLOCATION OCCURS.
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					TRIAL CANNOT BE
					ALLOCATED TO A JUDGE,
					THE MATTER SHALL STAND
					OVER UNTIL THE NEXT
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4.	2019/38727	IRENE SCOTT VS MEC FOR	30/10/2023	09/11/2023	MATTER STANDS TO BE
		HEALTH – GAUTENG			ALLOCATED. THE
		Plaintiff: Adv P P Baloyi			ALLOCATION WILL OCCUR
		Defendant: Adv L Adams			AS SOON AS A JUDGE
		Medical negligence			BECOMES AVAILABLE. THE
		Merits Estimated duration: 3 – 5 days			PARTIES WILL BE NOTIFIED
		Interpreter to be used			PER E-MAIL WHEN THE
					ALLOCATION OCCURS.
					MATTERS CROWDED OUT:
					IF ANY MATTER RIPE FOR
					TRIAL CANNOT BE
					ALLOCATED TO A JUDGE,
					THE MATTER SHALL STAND
					OVER UNTIL THE NEXT
					COURT DAY

2016/23715	MOKGELE ANDRIES	12/06/2023	09/11/2023	MATTER STANDS TO BE
	MAOELA VS PRASA			ALLOCATED. THE
	Plaintiff: Ms L Molope-Madondo			ALLOCATION WILL OCCUR
	Defendant: Mr B O'Connor			AS SOON AS A JUDGE
	**			BECOMES AVAILABLE. THE
				PARTIES WILL BE NOTIFIED
	• • •			PER E-MAIL WHEN THE
	Minutes filed: 07 June 2022			ALLOCATION OCCURS.
	Estimated duration: 2 – 3 days			,
	Interpreter to be used			<b>MATTERS CROWDED OUT:</b>
				IF ANY MATTER RIPE FOR
				TRIAL CANNOT BE
				ALLOCATED TO A JUDGE,
				THE MATTER SHALL STAND
				OVER UNTIL THE NEXT
				COURT DAY
-	PAR	T B: ROAD ACC	DENT FUND	,
2018/21986	EMELY MAHLOMPHO	02/08/2023	08/11/2023	No practice note (as set out in
	TSOENYANA VS ROAD			paragraphs 19.3, 19.4 and 19.5
	ACCIDENT FUND			of the Judge President's
				Practice Directive 01 of 2024 as
				amended on 12 June 2024)
				was uploaded to the electronic
				file – Matter is struck off from
				the trial roll.
		MAOELA VS PRASA Plaintiff: Ms L Molope-Madondo Defendant: Mr B O'Connor Quantum (past and future loss of earnings; general damages; past and future medical expenses) Pre-trial conference: 25 April 2022 Minutes filed: 07 June 2022 Estimated duration: 2 – 3 days Interpreter to be used  PAR  2018/21986 EMELY MAHLOMPHO TSOENYANA VS ROAD	MAOELA VS PRASA Plaintiff: Ms L Molope-Madondo Defendant: Mr B O'Connor Quantum (past and future loss of earnings; general damages; past and future medical expenses) Pre-trial conference: 25 April 2022 Minutes filed: 07 June 2022 Estimated duration: 2 – 3 days Interpreter to be used  PART B: ROAD ACC  2018/21986 EMELY MAHLOMPHO TSOENYANA VS ROAD  02/08/2023	MAOELA VS PRASA Plaintiff: Ms L Molope-Madondo Defendant: Mr B O'Connor Quantum (past and future loss of earnings; general damages; past and future medical expenses) Pre-trial conference: 25 April 2022 Minutes filed: 07 June 2022 Estimated duration: 2 – 3 days Interpreter to be used  PART B: ROAD ACCIDENT FUND  2018/21986 EMELY MAHLOMPHO TSOENYANA VS ROAD  02/08/2023 08/11/2023

7.	2019/18403	NONGOGO ESTHER OBO MBALI VS ROAD ACCIDENT FUND Plaintiff: Adv M Ndubani Quantum (past and future loss of earnings; earning capacity) Pre-trial conference: 05 May 2023 Estimated duration: 2 – 3 days	07/06/2023	01/11/2023	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.  MATTERS CROWDED OUT: IF ANY MATTER RIPE FOR TRIAL CANNOT BE ALLOCATED TO A JUDGE, THE MATTER SHALL STAND OVER UNTIL THE NEXT COURT DAY
8.	2016/04992	BIANCA LEONORA ADAMS OBO KAYDEN ERLELANO ADAMS VS ROAD ACCIDENT FUND	14/12/2023	20/12/2023	No practice note (as set out in paragraphs 19.3, 19.4 and 19.5 of the Judge President's Practice Directive 01 of 2024 as amended on 12 June 2024) was uploaded to the electronic file – Matter is struck off from the trial roll.

9.	2021/15178	LIZL SMITH N.O OBO KHULILE MAKULENI VS ROAD ACCIDENT FUND Plaintiff: Adv A den Hartog Defendant: Mr L Klaas/Ms T Tivana Pre-trial conference: 13 November 2023 Estimated duration: 2 – 3 days (if evidence led); 2 – 3 days (if argued) Interpreter to be used Quantum (loss of income)	16/11/2023	17/11/2023	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.  MATTERS CROWDED OUT: IF ANY MATTER RIPE FOR TRIAL CANNOT BE ALLOCATED TO A JUDGE, THE MATTER SHALL STAND OVER UNTIL THE NEXT COURT DAY
10.	2022-010251	IRMA STEFANIA BECK VS ROAD ACCIDENT FUND	03/03/2023	27/03/2023	No practice note (as set out in paragraphs 19.3, 19.4 and 19.5 of the Judge President's Practice Directive 01 of 2024 as amended on 12 June 2024) was uploaded to the electronic file – Matter is struck off from the trial roll.

11.	2022/20083	GOMO MARLVEN VS ROAD	10/03/2023	31/03/2023	MATTER STANDS TO BE
		ACCIDENT FUND			ALLOCATED. THE
		Plaintiff: Adv F Saint			ALLOCATION WILL OCCUR
		Defendant: Mr E M Mdlovu			AS SOON AS A JUDGE
		Quantum (past and future loss of			BECOMES AVAILABLE. THE
		earnings; future medical expenses) Pre-trial conference: 28 February			PARTIES WILL BE NOTIFIED
		2022			PER E-MAIL WHEN THE
		Minutes filed: 01 March 2023			ALLOCATION OCCURS.
		Estimated duration: 1 – 2 days			
		Interpreter to be used			MATTERS CROWDED OUT:
					IF ANY MATTER RIPE FOR
					TRIAL CANNOT BE
					ALLOCATED TO A JUDGE,
					THE MATTER SHALL STAND
					OVER UNTIL THE NEXT
					COURT DAY

12.	2020/14219	MPHO JANE MATHEBULA VS ROAD ACCIDENT FUND Plaintiff: Adv M Ngobeni-Moyana Defendant: Ms P Makathini Quantum (past and future loss of earnings; future medical expenses) Pre-trial conference: 07 January 2025 Minutes filed: 08 January 2025 Estimated duration: 1 – 2 days Interpreter to be used	05/04/2023	05/04/2023	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.  MATTERS CROWDED OUT: IF ANY MATTER RIPE FOR TRIAL CANNOT BE ALLOCATED TO A JUDGE, THE MATTER SHALL STAND OVER UNTIL THE NEXT COURT DAY
13.	2015/41904	THULANI SIYABONGA NDEBELE VS ROAD ACCIDENT FUND	07/08/2023	09/08/2023	No practice note (as set out in paragraphs 19.3, 19.4 and 19.5 of the Judge President's Practice Directive 01 of 2024 as amended on 12 June 2024) was uploaded to the electronic file – Matter is struck off from the trial roll.

14.	2018/46132	GCABA STHEMBISO	10/03/2023	14/03/2023	MATTER STANDS TO BE
		PRINCE VS ROAD			ALLOCATED. THE
		ACCIDENT FUND			ALLOCATION WILL OCCUR
		Plaintiff: Adv B L Pilusa			AS SOON AS A JUDGE
		Defendant: Ms B M More			BECOMES AVAILABLE. THE
		Merits and quantum (general damages; loss of earnings)			PARTIES WILL BE NOTIFIED
		Pre-trial conference: 17 January			PER E-MAIL WHEN THE
		2023			ALLOCATION OCCURS.
		Minutes filed: 20 January 2023 Estimated duration: 1 – 2 days			MATTERS CROWDED OUT:
		Interpreter to be used			IF ANY MATTER RIPE FOR
					TRIAL CANNOT BE
					ALLOCATED TO A JUDGE,
					THE MATTER SHALL STAND
					OVER UNTIL THE NEXT
					COURT DAY

15.	2021/52373	RAMOSEDI JAMES VS ROAD ACCIDENT FUND Plaintiff: Ms C Roos Defendant: Ms B M More Quantum (general damages) Pre-trial conference: 30 September 2022 Minutes filed: 01 February 2023	17/03/2023	14/03/2023	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
		Estimated duration: 1 day			ALLOCATION OCCURS.  MATTERS CROWDED OUT: IF ANY MATTER RIPE FOR TRIAL CANNOT BE ALLOCATED TO A JUDGE, THE MATTER SHALL STAND OVER UNTIL THE NEXT COURT DAY

16.	2020/15298	PULE DORAH MMULE VS	26/01/2023	14/03/2023	MATTER STANDS TO BE
		ROAD ACCIDENT FUND			ALLOCATED. THE
		Plaintiff: Adv V Mabaso			ALLOCATION WILL OCCUR
		Defendant: Mr T Ngomana			AS SOON AS A JUDGE
		Quantum (loss of earnings)			BECOMES AVAILABLE. THE
		Pre-trial conference: 09 January 2025			PARTIES WILL BE NOTIFIED
		Estimated duration: 1 – 3 days			PER E-MAIL WHEN THE
		Interpreter to be used			ALLOCATION OCCURS.
					MATTERS CROWDED OUT:
					IF ANY MATTER RIPE FOR
					TRIAL CANNOT BE
					ALLOCATED TO A JUDGE,
					THE MATTER SHALL STAND
					OVER UNTIL THE NEXT
					COURT DAY

17.	2019/19750	BILA ANTONIO ERNESTO	06/03/2023	15/03/2023	MATTER STANDS TO BE
		VS ROAD ACCIDENT FUND			ALLOCATED. THE
		Plaintiff: Adv A Kutama			ALLOCATION WILL OCCUR
		Pre-trial conference: 23 February			AS SOON AS A JUDGE
		2023 Minutes filed: 07 March 2023			BECOMES AVAILABLE. THE
		Estimated duration: 90 minutes			PARTIES WILL BE NOTIFIED
		Interpreter to be used			PER E-MAIL WHEN THE
		Merits and quantum (general			ALLOCATION OCCURS.
		damages; past and future medical			
		expenses; loss of earnings)			MATTERS CROWDED OUT:
					IF ANY MATTER RIPE FOR
					TRIAL CANNOT BE
					ALLOCATED TO A JUDGE,
					THE MATTER SHALL STAND
					OVER UNTIL THE NEXT
					COURT DAY

18.	2021/6615	MALESA ISHMAEL	06/03/2023	15/03/2023	MATTER STANDS TO BE
		SEGWADIGWADI VS ROAD			ALLOCATED. THE
		ACCIDENT FUND			ALLOCATION WILL OCCUR
		Plaintiff: Adv A Louw			AS SOON AS A JUDGE
		Defendant: Ms S Ameersingh			BECOMES AVAILABLE. THE
		Quantum (past and future loss of earnings; general damages; future medical expenses)  Pre-trial conference: 28 September			PARTIES WILL BE NOTIFIED
					PER E-MAIL WHEN THE
					ALLOCATION OCCURS.
		2022			MATTERS OR OWNER OUT
		Minutes filed: 28 February 2023			MATTERS CROWDED OUT:
		Estimated duration: 1 – 2 days			IF ANY MATTER RIPE FOR
					TRIAL CANNOT BE
					ALLOCATED TO A JUDGE,
					THE MATTER SHALL STAND
					OVER UNTIL THE NEXT
					COURT DAY

19.	2015/29158	MOGANO KGOLLA	31/10/2023	01/11/2023	MATTER STANDS TO BE			
		THEOPHILUS VS ROAD			ALLOCATED. THE			
		ACCIDENT FUND			ALLOCATION WILL OCCUR			
		Plaintiff: Adv N Makopo			AS SOON AS A JUDGE			
		Quantum			BECOMES AVAILABLE. THE			
		Pre-trial conference: 27 October 2023			PARTIES WILL BE NOTIFIED			
		Estimated duration: 2- 3 days			PER E-MAIL WHEN THE			
		Estimated datation. 2 o days			ALLOCATION OCCURS.			
					MATTERS CROWDED OUT:			
					IF ANY MATTER RIPE FOR			
					TRIAL CANNOT BE			
					ALLOCATED TO A JUDGE,			
					THE MATTER SHALL STAND			
					OVER UNTIL THE NEXT			
					COURT DAY			
MATTERS REMOVED FROM THE ROLL BY NOTICE								
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# 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.