#### IN THE HIGH COURT OF SOUTH AFRICA GAUTENG LOCAL DIVISION, JOHANNESBURG TUESDAY 11 MARCH 2025

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**

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- 9D BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE S. KRUGER AJ
- 9F BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE M. DE OLIVEIRA AJ
- 8F BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE G. LOUW A J
- 8E BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE AUCAMP AJ
- 8D BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE STYLIANOU AJ

#### **UNOPPOSED MOTION**

- GC BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUGDE MUDAU J
- GD BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE ADAMS J
- GE BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE SENYATSI J

#### **URGENT APPLICATIONS**

- 9A BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MANOIM J
- 9B BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE NOKO J

#### **SPECIAL MOTION**

11A BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE WANLESS J 2024-058908

#### **INCOME TAX COURT**

BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE FISHER J (1746335; 1746145)

#### FAMILY COURT

- 11B BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE CRUTCHFIELD J
- 11C BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MAHOMED J

#### SPECIAL INTERLOCUTORY COURT

GB BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE DLAMINI J

#### RAF DEFAULT JUDGMENT COURT

- 8A BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE WEIDEMAN AJ
- 8B BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE JORGE AJ

#### **EQUALITY COURT**

11F BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE FISHER J NTHABISENG MOKOENA v HEAD OF JOHANNESBURG CORRECTIONAL CENTRE, MEDIUM B AND OTHERS (CASE NO: 2024-070075)

#### **CIVIL TRIAL OF LONG DURATION**

- 1A BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE VAN ASWEGEN AJ
- GA BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE P J DU PLESSIS AJ 2021/58672
- 11E BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE VERMAAK AJ

#### **GENERAL CIVIL TRIALS**

- 11D BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE WRIGHT J
- 6D BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE DIPPENAAR J
- 4B BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MDALANA-MAYISELA J
- 8C BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE WILSON J
- 6A BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MANAMELA AJ
- 6B BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE NTLAMA MAKHANYA AJ
- 6C BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE LIEBENBERG AJ
- 2A BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MNYATHELI 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 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 accordance with the practice 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, 04 MARCH 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.
- 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	RT A: GENERAL	CIVIL TRIALS	
1.	2021/6105	DE NETT HENDRICK TREVOR VS MINISTER OF POLICE Plaintiff: Adv Sibisi Defendant: Mr D Lebenya Arrest, detention Estimated duration: 1 – 3 days	18/03/2023	21/09/2023	DIPPENAAR J Secretary: Ms J Blake Email: JBlake@judiciary.org.za
2.	2015/20728	MAGWAZA MLUNGISI FIKANEZWI AND TWO OTHERS VS MINISTER OF POLICE	29/07/2023	28/08/2023	Matter is removed from the trial roll by notice
3.	2018/21758	MOIPATLI PAUL HAANAHA VS MINISTER OF POLICE Plaintiff: Adv L Tshigomana Defendant: Mr B Mbomvu Arrest Pre-trial conference: 12 May 2023 Minutes filed: 27 June 2023 Estimated duration: 2 – 3 days	29/07/2023	28/08/2023	MDALANA-MAYISELA J Secretary: Ms B Legethe Email: BLegethe@judiciary.org.za

4.	2021/42643	NEO KGOTSO MNGOMEZULU VS PRASA	03/03/2023	23/03/2023	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.
5.	2014/27736	NXUMALO NOMPUMELELO VS PRASA Plaintiff: Adv F Matika Quantum (future medical expenses; loss of earnings; earning capacity; general damages) Estimated duration: 2 – 3 days	18/03/2023	10/07/2023	VAN ASWEGEN AJ Secretary: Mr R Munonela Email: RMunonela@judiciary.org.za
		PAR	T B: ROAD ACC	IDENT FUND	
6.	2018/40722	SEHLOHO SINNAH TAKALO VS ROAD ACCIDENT FUND	14/09/2023	01/11/2023	Matter is removed from the trial roll by notice

7.	2021/34418	NGUBENI MANDLA BRIAN VS ROAD ACCIDENT FUND Plaintiff: Ms L Molope-Madondo Defendant: Mr M Madasele Merits and quantum (general damages; future medical expenses; past and future loss of earnings) Pre-trial conference: 26 April 2023 Minutes filed: 14 August 2023 Estimated duration: 3 – 4 days	05/07/2023	19/10/2023	LIEBENBERG AJ Secretary: Ms Z Twaku Email: ZTwaku@judiciary.org.za
8.	2017/30833	ADV LIZL SMITH N.O OBO XABA HALALISANI MINENHLE VS ROAD ACCIDENT FUND Plaintiff: Adv D Combrink Defendant: Ms Y Ramjee Quantum Estimated duration: 1 – 2 days	26/07/2023	17/11/2023	VERMAAK AJ Secretary: Ms N Nkumane Email: NNkumane@judiciary.org.za

9.	2019/9369	MAARTENS JACQUES VS ROAD ACCIDENT FUND Plaintiff: Adv J Nell Defendant: Ms S Ameersingh Quantum (past and future medical expenses; past and future loss of earnings) Pre-trial conference: 27 January 2025 Minutes filed: 25 February 2025 Estimated duration: 1 day (if argued); 3 days (if evidence led)	22/11/2023	23/11/2023	WILSON J Secretary: Mr T Chauke Email: TiChauke1@judiciary.org.za
10.	2019/29522	LUMBELO VASCO FERNANDO VS ROAD ACCIDENT FUND	23/03/2023	31/03/2023	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.	2015/02875	BUTHELEZI P.G.N OBO VILAKAZI A A VS ROAD ACCIDENT FUND Plaintiff; Adv Themane Pre-trial conference: 13 March 2023 Minutes filed: 27 March 2023 Quantum (loss of earnings) Estimated duration: 90 minutes	15/03/2023	31/03/2023	Matter is removed from the trial roll by notice

12.	2015/13173	SITHEBE SIBUSISO ANTHONY VS PRASA	15/03/2023	23/03/2023	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.
13.	2019/8420	WESSELS CORNELIS JANSE VS ROAD ACCIDENT FUND	06/03/2023	23/03/2023	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.
14.	2022/79	MABUNDA MHLABASE JOYCE OBO MINORS VS ROAD ACCIDENT FUND	23/02/2023	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.

15.	2018/36487	ELSIE MOHLABENG OBO	13/03/2023	27/03/2023	No practice note (as set out in
		MINOR VS ROAD ACCIDENT			paragraphs 19.3, 19.4 and 19.5
		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.
16.	2022/081	MAFUNISE AVHASHONI	13/03/2023	27/03/2023	No practice note (as set out in
		DAVID VS ROAD ACCIDENT			paragraphs 19.3, 19.4 and 19.5
		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.

17.	2012/20245	MR U JORDAAN N.O OBO STEYN MORNE ELVIS VS ROAD ACCIDENT FUND Plaintiff: Adv N Adam Defendant: Ms T Tivana Quantum (loss of earnings; general damages) Estimated duration: 1 – 2 days	14/03/2023	27/03/2023	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 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
18.	2019/20480	REFILWE SINNAH MATSOSO VS ROAD ACCIDENT FUND	13/03/2023	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.
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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**@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.