#### IN THE HIGH COURT OF SOUTH AFRICA GAUTENG LOCAL DIVISION, JOHANNESBURG TUESDAY 06<sup>TH</sup> MAY 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**

- 9C BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE WINDELL J
- 9D BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE TWALA J
- 9F BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE KUMALO J
- 8F BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE BOTSI-THULARE AJ
- 8E BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE SHANGISA AJ
- 8D BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE P LEDWABA AJ

Video-link BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE NGCUKAITOBI AJ

#### **UNOPPOSED MOTION**

- GC BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUGDE DLAMINI J
- GD BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MATTHYS AJ
- GE BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MATJELE AJ

#### **URGENT APPLICATIONS**

- 9A BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MUDAU J
- 9B BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE EPSTEIN AJ

#### SPECIAL MOTION

- 11A BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE SCHRÖDER AJ 2019/41679
- Video-link BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MANOIM J 2025-006216

#### **INCOME TAX COURT**

BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MALI J (IT45827)

#### FAMILY COURT

- 11B BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE EICHNER-VISSER AJ
- 11C BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE HERTENBERGER AJ

#### SPECIAL INTERLOCUTORY COURT

Video-link BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE GOODENOUGH AJ

#### **RAF DEFAULT JUDGMENT**

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

#### COMMERCIAL COURT

11D BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE SENYATSI J 2019/44832

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

1A BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MABESELE J 2016/28974

#### **GENERAL CIVIL TRIALS**

11E BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE ADAMS J

Video-link BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE DIPPENAAR J

8C BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE YACOOB J

Video-link BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MAIER-FRAWLEY J

- 6A BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE CRUTCHFIELD J
- 6B BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE NOKO J
- 6C BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MOTHA J
- 6D BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE M VAN NIEUWENHUIZEN 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 cut-off date), the matter shall the 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: **FRIDAY, 25 APRIL 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
	PART	A: GENERAL CIVIL TRIALS	·		
1.	2022/17032	ADAM LIKANGA VS MINISTER OF POLICE Plaintiff: Adv L Swart Defendant: Mr D Lebenya Arrest and detention Pre-trial conference: 26 June 2023 Minutes filed: 26 June 2023 Estimated duration: 3 days Interpreter to be used	10/08/2023	12/09/2023	MATTER STANDS TO BE ALLOCATED.ALLOCATED.THEALLOCATION WILL OCCUR AS SOON AS A JUDGE BECOMES AVAILABLE.BECOMES AVAILABLE.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

2.	2020/05808	BAFANA MAHLANGU VS	13/08/2023	21/09/2023	No practice note (as set out in
		MINISTER OF POLICE AND			paragraphs 19.3, 19.4 and 19.5
		OTHERS			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.
3.	2021/39048	SOMELEZE MDASHE VS	10/08/2023	30/08/2023	No practice note (as set out in
		MINISTER OF POLICE			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.

4.	2020/987	LEROY QUINTON THERON	10/08/2023	12/09/2023	MATTER STANDS TO BE
		AND OTHERS VS MINISTER			ALLOCATED. THE
		OF POLICE AND OTHER			ALLOCATION WILL OCCUR
		Plaintiff: Adv M O Mudimeli			AS SOON AS A JUDGE
		Defendant: Adv M Makhoebe			BECOMES AVAILABLE. THE
		Arrest, detention Pre-trial conference: 30 April 2025			PARTIES WILL BE NOTIFIED
		Merits and quantum			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

5.	2020/36559	IRWIN ELEAZAR YESAN	10/08/2023	12/09/2023	MATTER STANDS TO BE
		PERUMAL VS MINISTER OF			ALLOCATED. THE
		POLICE AND OTHERS			ALLOCATION WILL OCCUR
		Plaintiff: Adv C Zietsman			AS SOON AS A JUDGE
		Defendant: Ms B Nkoana			BECOMES AVAILABLE. THE
		Arrest, detention, defamation Merits and quantum (loss of income)			PARTIES WILL BE NOTIFIED
		Pre-trial conference minutes filed:			PER E-MAIL WHEN THE
		September 2023			ALLOCATION OCCURS.
		Estimated duration: 1 day			
					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
	PART	B: ROAD ACCIDENT FUND			

6.	2021/35795	MALAPI THANDIWE VS ROAD ACCIDENT FUND Plaintiff: Mr H Coetzee Defendant: Mr E M Mdlovu Merits and quantum (general damages; future medical expenses; past loss of earnings; future loss of earnings) Pre-trial conference: 15 March 2023 Minutes filed: 22 March 2023 Estimated duration: 2 – 3 days Interpreter to be used	11/04/2023	23/04/2023	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. <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
7.	2015/22654	THABO VICTOR MONYELA VS ROAD ACCIDENT FUND	11/04/2023	19/04/2023	COURT DAY 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.

8.	2021/46709	PHOLO MOEKETSI MICHAEL	12/04/2023	19/04/2023	MATTER STANDS TO BE
		VS ROAD ACCIDENT FUND			ALLOCATED. THE
		Plaintiff: Adv M Ndubani			ALLOCATION WILL OCCUR
		Defendant: Mr E M Mdlovu			AS SOON AS A JUDGE
		Merits and quantum (general			BECOMES AVAILABLE. THE
		damages; future medical expenses;			PARTIES WILL BE NOTIFIED
		past and future loss of earnings) Pre-trial conference: 14 February			PER E-MAIL WHEN THE
		2023			ALLOCATION OCCURS.
		Estimated duration: 2 – 3 days			ALLOCATION OCCOND.
		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
9.	2017/29741	MABASO THULANI	19/04/2023	23/04/2023	No practice note (as set out in
		HUMPHREY 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.

10.	2020/31100	SIM MATTHEW JOHN VS	06/03/2023	23/03/2023	MATTER STANDS TO BE
		ROAD ACCIDENT FUND			ALLOCATED. THE
		Plaintiff: Adv J Killian			ALLOCATION WILL OCCUR
		Defendant: Ms S Ameersingh			AS SOON AS A JUDGE
		Quantum			BECOMES AVAILABLE. THE
		Estimated duration: 2 – 3 days			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

11.	2019/19578	RENDY ROXEN KEELE VS	06/03/2023	23/03/2023	MATTER STANDS TO BE	
		ROAD ACCIDENT FUND			ALLOCATED. THE	
		Plaintiff: Mr M Kutama			ALLOCATION WILL OCCUR	
		Merits and quantum (loss of support)			AS SOON AS A JUDGE	
		Pre-trial conference minutes filed: 25			BECOMES AVAILABLE. THE	
		January 2023 Estimated duration; 1 – 2 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	

12.	2021/4727	DLAMINI NHLANHLA LLOYD	07/03/2023	27/03/2023	MATTER STANDS TO BE
		VS ROAD ACCIDENT FUND			ALLOCATED. THE
		Plaintiff: Ms N Davidson			ALLOCATION WILL OCCUR
		Defendant: Mr T Ngomana			AS SOON AS A JUDGE
		Quantum (general damages; loss of earnings; future medical expenses)			BECOMES AVAILABLE. THE
		Estimated duration: 1 – 2 days			PARTIES WILL BE NOTIFIED
		Pre-trial conference: 14 November			PER E-MAIL WHEN THE
		2022			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.	2021/57499	MPALA MANAGER VS ROAD ACCIDENT FUND Plaintiff: Ms L Whittle Merits and quantum (future medical expenses; general damages; past and future loss of earnings; earning capacity) Pre-trial conference: 24 November 2022 Minutes filed: 24 November 2022 Estimated duration: 1 – 2 days	09/03/2023	27/03/2023	MATTERSTANDSTOBEALLOCATED.THEALLOCATIONWILLOCCURASSOONASAJUDGEBECOMESAVAILABLE.THEPARTIESWILLBENOTIFIEDPERE-MAILWHENTHEALLOCATIONOCCURS.IFMATTERSCROWDEDOUT:IFANYMATTERRIPEFORTRIALCANNOTBEALLOCATEDTOA JUDGE,THETHEMATTERSHALLSTANDOVERUNTILTHENEXT
					COURT DAY
14.	2019/7741	MAMPA TAELO GETRUDE MMATAPA VS PRASA	09/03/2023	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.

15.	2017/45575	KOTZE MICHEL OBO THE	03/03/2023	23/03/2023	MATTER STANDS TO BE
		ESTATE OF THE LATE ABT			ALLOCATED. THE
		JAMES VS ROAD ACCIDENT			ALLOCATION WILL OCCUR
		FUND			AS SOON AS A JUDGE
		Plaintiff: Adv B L Pilusa			BECOMES AVAILABLE. THE
		Defendant: Ms S Ameersingh			PARTIES WILL BE NOTIFIED
		quantum (general damages) Pre-trial conference: 21 February			PER E-MAIL WHEN THE
		2			ALLOCATION OCCURS.
		2023 Minutes filed: 03 March 2023 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

16.	2019/29411	MOFOKENG MPHO ELIAS	10/03/2023	23/03/2023	MATTER STANDS TO BE
		VS ROAD ACCIDENT FUND			ALLOCATED. THE
		Plaintiff: Adv Z Khan			ALLOCATION WILL OCCUR
		Defendant: Mr E M Mdlovu			AS SOON AS A JUDGE
		Merits and quantum (general			BECOMES AVAILABLE. THE
		damages; future loss of earnings) Pre-trial conference: 27 February			PARTIES WILL BE NOTIFIED
		2023			PER E-MAIL WHEN THE
		Estimated duration: 2 – 3 days			ALLOCATION OCCURS.
		Interpreter to be used			
					MATTERS CROWDED OUT:
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					ALLOCATED TO A JUDGE,
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					OVER UNTIL THE NEXT
					COURT DAY

17.	2019/4951	ROSE MHANANE	09/03/2023	23/03/2023	MATTER STANDS TO BE
		MAKHUBELA VS ROAD			ALLOCATED. THE
		ACCIDENT FUND			ALLOCATION WILL OCCUR
		Plaintiff: Mr R Rikhotso			AS SOON AS A JUDGE
		Defendant: Ms S Ameersingh			BECOMES AVAILABLE. THE
		Quantum (past and future loss of earnings; future medical expenses;			PARTIES WILL BE NOTIFIED
		general damages)			PER E-MAIL WHEN THE
		Pre-trial conference: 19 September			ALLOCATION OCCURS.
		2023			
		Estimated duration: 1 – 2 days			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.	2021/46713	MAHLASE PALESA MIRRIAM	06/03/2023	27/03/2023	MATTER STANDS TO BE
		VS ROAD ACCIDENT FUND			ALLOCATED. THE
		Plaintiff: Adv V Mabasa			ALLOCATION WILL OCCUR
		Defendant: Ms B M More			AS SOON AS A JUDGE
		Merits and quantum (general			BECOMES AVAILABLE. THE
		damages; past and future medical			PARTIES WILL BE NOTIFIED
		expenses; past and future loss of earnings; earning capacity)			PER E-MAIL WHEN THE
		Pre-trial conference: 13 April 2023			ALLOCATION OCCURS.
		Estimated duration: $2 - 3$ days			ALLOCATION OCCORS.
					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 REM	OVED FROM THE ROLL BY NO	TICE		

#### 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** (<u>NMvumbi@judiciary.org.za</u> / 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.

Last-minute enquiries will not be accommodated.