# IN THE HIGH COURT OF SOUTH AFRICA GAUTENG LOCAL DIVISION, JOHANNESBURG TUESDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> OCTOBER 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 CRUTCHFIELD J
- 9D BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE DLAMINI J
- 9F BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MOTHA J

Video-link BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MEERSINGH AJ

8F BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE ESTERHUIZEN AJ

#### **INSOLVENCY COURT**

8D BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE WRIGHT J

Video-link BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE BLOU AJ

8E BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE H LOUW AJ

#### **UNOPPOSED MOTION**

- GC BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUGDE REID J
- GD BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE KEKANA AJ
- GE BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE ALLEN AJ

#### **URGENT APPLICATIONS**

Video-link BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MAIER-FRAWLEY J

9B BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE WILSON J

#### **SPECIAL MOTION**

- 8C BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE SUTHERLAND DJP 2025-131506
- 11A BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MUDAU J 2000/27885

### 11E BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE WANLESS J 2024-050686

#### **INCOME TAX COURT**

BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MAKAMU J

BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MALI J

#### **FAMILY COURT**

- 11B BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE YACOOB J
- 11C BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE M. VAN NIEUWENHUIZEN AJ

#### **SUMMARY JUDGMENT COURT**

- GA BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE WINDELL J
- 1A BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE CARRIM AJ

#### RAF DEFAULT JUDGMENT COURT

- 8A BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE BHOOLA AJ
- 8B BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MOKALE AJ

#### **CIVIL APPEALS**

11F BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE FISHER J AND BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE DIPPENAAR J A2023-031337 A2025-042686 A2024-074388

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

BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MFULWANE AJ 2018/24002

#### PART-HEARD CIVIL TRIAL

Video-link BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MANOIM J 2022/8083

#### **GENERAL CIVIL TRIALS**

- 6A BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MAKUME J
- 9A BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE W DU PLESSIS J Part-heard matter
- 6C BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE S. VAN NIEUWENHUIZEN AJ
- 6B BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE NTHAMBELENI AJ
- 11D BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE NKOENYANE AJ
- 6E BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE COMBRINK 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)

LITIGANTS' ATTENTION IS DRAWN TO PARAGRAPHS 16 – 19 OF THE MEDIATION DIRECTIVE WHICH CAME INTO EFFECT ON 22 APRIL 2025

## 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 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, 14 OCTOBER 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.
- 6. 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			
	<b>,</b>		<u>,                                      </u>		
1.	2017/25309	BUTHELEZI SIHLE EDDIE VS MINISTER OF POLICE	12/09/2023	06/10/2023	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.
2.	2017/23633	SITHOLE SIPHO AND 3 OTHERS VS MINISTER OF POLICE	14/09/2023	26/10/2023	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.

3.	2016/26965	TSHEPO RASILE VS	12/09/2023	05/10/2023	MATTER STANDS TO BE
		MINISTER OF POLICE AND			ALLOCATED. THE
		OTHER			ALLOCATION WILL OCCUR
		Plaintiff: Adv M Tonyela			AS SOON AS A JUDGE
		Defendant: Adv S Kunene			BECOMES AVAILABLE. THE
		Arrest, detention, malicious			PARTIES WILL BE NOTIFIED
		prosecution Pre-trial conference: 04 October			PER E-MAIL WHEN THE
		2025			ALLOCATION OCCURS.
		Merits and quantum			
		Estimated duration: 3 – 4 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

5.   2015/6729   CHAKA VUYISILE VS MINISTER OF POLICE AND OTHER   19/03/2024   27/03/2024   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.	4.	2020/5281	NGO HLELA VS MINISTER OF POLICE AND OTHER Plaintiff: Mr L Makhuni Defendant: Mr E S Mbambo Arrest, detention, malicious prosecution Merits and quantum Estimated duration: 3 days	25/01/2024	09/02/2024	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
	5.		MINISTER OF POLICE AND OTHER	19/03/2024	27/03/2024	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
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6.	2021/25928	NKANYANA AGREENET	29/06/2023	06/07/2023	No practice note (as set out in
		OBO NYIKO 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. No mediation report
					(annexure "D1") and Joint
					Minutes (annexure "D2") as set
					out in the Mediation Directive
					and Mediation Protocol of 22
					April 2025 has been uploaded
					to the electronic file – Matter is
					struck off from the trial roll.
7.	2019/15181	SENZO XOLANI THUSO VS	29/06/2023	07/07/2023	No practice note (as set out in
		ROAD ACCIDENT FUND			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. No mediation report
					(annexure "D1") and Joint
					Minutes (annexure "D2") as set
					out in the Mediation Directive
					and Mediation Protocol of 22
					April 2025 has been uploaded
					to the electronic file – Matter is
					struck off from the trial roll.

8.	2019/12396	RUPERT JOHN BERNARD GRAHAM VS ROAD ACCIDENT FUND	27/06/2023	30/06/2023	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. No mediation report (annexure "D1") and Joint Minutes (annexure "D2") as set out in the Mediation Directive and Mediation Protocol of 22 April 2025 has been uploaded to the electronic file – Matter is struck off from the trial roll.
9.	2019/43370	LEBOGILE REUBEN PHELE VS ROAD ACCIDENT FUND	26/06/2023	30/06/2023	No mediation report (annexure "D1") and Joint Minutes (annexure "D2") as set out in the Mediation Directive and Mediation Protocol of 22 April 2025 has been uploaded to the electronic file – Matter is struck off from the trial roll.

10.	2016/42946	MASETI SIYABULELA VS ROAD ACCIDENT FUND	10/05/2023	13/07/2023	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. No mediation report (annexure "D1") and Joint Minutes (annexure "D2") as set out in the Mediation Directive and Mediation Protocol of 22 April 2025 has been uploaded to the electronic file – Matter is struck off from the trial roll.
11.	2007/11868	SIKHAKHANE CONSTANCE OBO SIKHAKHANE HAPY VS ROAD ACCIDENT FUND	12/06/2023	30/06/2023	The plaintiff has approached the Special Interlocutory Court and/or the Road Accident Fund Default Judgment Court as set out in paragraph 4.9 of the Mediation Protocol. Matter is removed from the trial roll.
12.	2016/9395	GUMBE CAROLINE NOREEN VS ROAD ACCIDENT FUND	23/06/2023	30/06/2023	The plaintiff has approached the Special Interlocutory Court and/or the Road Accident Fund Default Judgment Court as set out in paragraph 4.9 of the Mediation Protocol. Matter is removed from the trial roll.

13.	2022/8674	NKUBUNGU YOLISWA VS	19/05/2023	06/07/2023	No indication that the plaintiff
		ROAD ACCIDENT FUND			approached the Road Accident
					Fund Default Judgment Court
					(as set out in paragraph 4.9 of
					the Mediation Protocol) upon
					receipt of a court order by the
					Special Interlocutory Court. No
					mediation report (annexure
					"D1") and Joint Minutes
					(annexure "D2") as set out in
					the Mediation Directive and
					Mediation Protocol of 22 April
					2025 has been uploaded to the
					electronic file – Matter is struck
					off from the trial roll.
14.	2021/17553	MAKABO SFISO KANANELO	13/06/2023	06/07/2023	Matter is removed from the trial
		VS ROAD ACCIDENT FUND			roll by notice

15.	2019/25629	KUMALO ROSELINE	28/06/2023	30/06/2023	No practice note (as set out in
		NONHLANHLA 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. No mediation report
					(annexure "D1") and Joint
					Minutes (annexure "D2") as set
					out in the Mediation Directive
					and Mediation Protocol of 22
					April 2025 has been uploaded
					to the electronic file – Matter is
					struck off from the trial roll.

16.	2022/00840	NGOZO BHEKI GERRIE VS	19/05/2023	06/07/2023	No indication that the plaintiff
		ROAD ACCIDENT FUND			approached the Road Accident
					Fund Default Judgment Court
					(as set out in paragraph 4.9 of
					the Mediation Protocol) upon
					receipt of a court order by the
					Special Interlocutory Court. No
					mediation report (annexure
					"D1") and Joint Minutes
					(annexure "D2") as set out in
					the Mediation Directive and
					Mediation Protocol of 22 April
					2025 has been uploaded to the
					electronic file – Matter is struck
					off from the trial roll.
17.	2022/00840	NGOZO BHEKI GERRIE VS	13/06/2023	30/06/2023	Duplicate entry
		ROAD ACCIDENT FUND			

18.	2020/34889	KLAAS LIZZY TSHOLO VS ROAD ACCIDENT FUND	19/05/2023	06/07/2023	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. No mediation report (annexure "D1") and Joint Minutes (annexure "D2") as set out in the Mediation Directive and Mediation Protocol of 22 April 2025 has been uploaded to the electronic file – Matter is struck off from the trial roll.
19.	2021/21433	JABULANI RICKY MOSHOANE VS ROAD ACCIDENT FUND	29/06/2023	06/07/2023	The plaintiff has approached the Special Interlocutory Court and/or the Road Accident Fund Default Judgment Court as set out in paragraph 4.9 of the Mediation Protocol. Matter is removed 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.