

OFFICE OF THE HONOURABLE MADAM JUSTICE N.N BAM J THE HIGH COURT OF SOUTH AFRICA GAUTENG DIVISION, PRETORIA

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TO: ALL PRACTITIONERS

DIRECTIVE

URGENT MOTIONS BEFORE THE HONOURABLE MADAM JUSTICE BAM J : 01 - 04 FEBRUARY 2022

- 1. All cases that do not comply with this Division's prevailing directive/s, are incomplete or were not ready at the time of filing, at 12h00, on Thursday 27 January 2022 will not be heard, unless good cause is shown.
- 2. No piece-meal filing of affidavits will be allowed.
- 3. The CaseLines bundle will be frozen by 11h00 on 31 January 2022 and no further documents will be filed without the Judge's specific written permission.
- 4. All cases MUST be uploaded on CaseLines. If any problems are experienced, the Registrar, Ms Ngcobo, must be contacted timeously. In the absence thereof, where links have not been populated timeously or no link has been received, the matter will be struck from the roll.

- 5. Please ensure that your email address is recorded as invited to your matter.
- 6. It is the duty of the applicant's attorney to ensure that there are no duplicate cases created on CaseLines and that the particular Judge has received the correct link. In the event that this does not occur and links remain unpopulated or the Judge is sent an incorrect link, the matter will not be heard and will be removed or struck from the roll.
- 7. Matters with no Certificate of Urgency and /or Practice Note will be struck from the roll. The Practice Note must comply with this Division's Practice Manual. Failure to follow the Practice Manual in this regard will result in your matter being removed or struck from the roll and costs may in appropriate circumstances be awarded against the non-compliant party.
- 8. In matters that are unopposed or settled, draft orders in Word format are to be emailed to the Judge's Registrar by no later than Monday 31 January 2022. No hearing is required for these matters unless parties are of the view that they need to make submissions. In this instance, the parties are to notify the Judge's Registrar concerned. Further to this, Counsel are to remain available in the event that the Judge requires submissions.
- In all opposed matters, Heads of Argument are to be filed by both parties by no later than Monday, 31 January 2022 at 12:00. Rules pertaining to urgency shall be strictly enforced.
- 10. All hearings will be virtual by means of MS Teams. The link will be sent in due course.
- 11. If parties are of the view that a matter may be dealt with on the papers and without a hearing they are to indicate this to the Judge's Registrar by no later than 10h00 on Monday, 31 January 2022.
- 12. An allocation does not mean that the matter is considered sufficiently urgent to hear on the merits. Submissions will need to be made regarding the grounds of urgency.
- 13. Non-compliance with this directive will result in a matter being struck from the roll, unless good cause is shown for non-compliance.

We trust that you will find the above in order.

Best regards,

Ms Thobile Ngcobo

Registrar to Bam J

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