IN THE HIGH COURT OF SOUTH AFRICA

GAUTENG LOCAL DIVISION, JOHANNESBURG

MONDAY 25TH AUGUST 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 MATTHYS AJ

9E BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE SNYCKERS AJ

9F BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MZUZU AJ

8F BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE LIEBENBERG AJ

INSOLVENCY COURT

8D BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE SENYATSI J

Video-link BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE SUBEL AJ

UNOPPOSED MOTION

GC BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUGDE DU PLESSIS J

GD BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE RAUBENHEIMER AJ

GE BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MAZIBUKO AJ

URGENT APPLICATIONS

9A BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE WRIGHT J

9B BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE PULLINGER AJ

SPECIAL MOTION

11A BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MOTHA J
2025-088498

11E BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE OOSTHUIZEN-SENEKAL AJ
2025-064076

INCOME TAX COURT

BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MALI J

FAMILY COURT

11B BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE OPPERMAN J

11C BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MAHOMED J

SPECIAL INTERLOCUTORY COURT

GB BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MAHOSI J

SUMMARY JUDGMENT COURT

GA BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE AMIEN AJ

1A BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE BHENGU AJ

RAF DEFAULT JUDGMENT COURT

8A BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE VAN DE VENTER AJ

8B BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE LEVITT AJ

CRIMINAL APPEALS

11F BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MOOSA J
AND BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE LIEBENBERG AJ
A106/2023 A104/2023

COMMERCIAL COURT

11D BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE WILSON J
2022-011323

CIVIL TRIAL OF LONG DURATION

8C BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE NKOENYANE AJ
2021/10240

6F BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE BOTHA AJ
2018/28784

GENERAL CIVIL TRIALS

6A BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MABESELE J

BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE DIPPENAAR J
(Competition Appeal Court)

6B BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MALINDI J

BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MOTHA J

BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE OOSTHUIZEN-SENEKAL AJ

6C BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE VAN ASWEGEN AJ

BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE WEIDEMAN AJ

6E BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MAISELA AJ

THE CIVIL TRIAL ROLL BEFORE MUDAU ADJP

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 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: **MONDAY, 18 AUGUST 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					
	2018/28784	DOROTHY NDLOVU OBO MZWANDILE NDLOVU VS MEC FOR HEALTH, GAUTENG			Trial of Long Duration allocated to BOTHA AJ
1.	2020/21719	CAROLINE MAGABE VS BOYE ATTORNEYS INC	11/12/2023	12/12/2023	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.
2.	2019/558	ABONHLANE CONSULTING (PTY) LTD VS SUPER GROUP AFRICA (PTY) LTD	11/12/2023	12/12/2023	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.

3.	2020/31635	NEDBANK LTD VS VELOCITY CABLE COMPANY GROUP AND 2 OTHERS Plaintiff: Adv L Matsiela 2nd Defendant: Ms S Bhyat Damages arising from breach of a loan agreement Pre-trial conference: 20 September 2023; 25 July 2025 Estimated duration: 1 – 2 days	08/12/2023	12/12/2023	**MALINDI J** Secretary: Ms E Buys Email: EBuys@judiciary.org.za
4.	2016/05965	MERCHANT COMMERCIAL FINANCE 1 (PTY) LTD t/a MERCHANT FACTORS VS AFRICA RANGE TRADING CC	05/12/2023	08/12/2023	Matter is removed from the trial roll by notice

5.	2021/16141	MARRIAM RATSHIJANE AND OTHER VS TSHEPO NAKAMPE MABIDA AND 3 OTHERS Plaintiff: Adv M Smit Defendant: Mr P Malungana The Court referred the matter to oral evidence The applicants seek to have the transfer of a certain immovable property transferred to the 1st respondent, purportedly by the deceased, who was the owner at the time, be set aside. The applicant is the executor of the estate of the deceased and the 2nd applicant the grandson of the deceased. The applicants maintain that the deceased never sold the property to the 1st respondent, and that as a result the transfer of the property into the name of the 1st respondent was unlawful. The 1st respondent contends that the property was sold to him, that he paid the purchase price of the property and that as a result he is the lawful owner of the property. Estimated duration; 2 days Interpreter to be used Pre-trial conference: July 2023	04/12/2023	12/12/2023	**VAN ASWEGEN AJ** Secretary: Ms A Mshayisa Email: AMshayisa@judiciary.org.za

6.	2022/2470	MOKHESE ALPHEUS MATHETE VS SHIRLEY RAMASELA MOLOTO	12/09/2024	31/10/2024	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.
7.	2022/4558	KHAYALETHU TYALI AND 2 OTHERS VS MINISTER OF POLICE AND 1 OTHER Plaintiff: Adv R Ralikhuvhana Defendant: Mr S Siyali Arrest, detention, malicious prosecution Estimated duration: 4 – 5 days Pre-trial conference: 06 December 2023 Merits and quantum	08/12/2023	12/12/2023	**MAISELA AJ** Secretary: Ms M Malatji Email: MMalatji@judiciary.org.za
8.	2016/23498	ENJIMKONYE JUSTIN VS EKURHULENI METROPOLITAN MUNICIPALITY	30/11/2023	11/12/2023	Matter appeared on the trial of 28 July 2025 – matter was removed from the roll by notice

9.	2019/21444	RASHAAD ZAHID MINTY VS DR HARRY PAPAGAPIOU	27/11/2023	25/01/2023	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.

10.	2020/37942	LIBERTY GROUP LIMITED VS MY LIGHT HOLDINGS (PTY) LTD AND 2 OTHERS Plaintiff: Adv E Malherbe Defendant: Adv R Patrick The plaintiff instituted action proceedings against 1st Defendant (as principal debtor) and 2nd and 3rd Defendants (as sureties) for amounts owing under and terms of a lease agreement (as Claim A), holding over damages following cancellation of the lease agreement (as Claim B), damages suffered as a result of the leased premises being vacant for a period (Claim C), and reinstatement costs (Claim D) Defendants have instituted an application for postponement – plaintiff has opposed this application There is also an application to compel in terms of Rule 35(7) Pre-trial conference: 13 August 2023 Estimated duration; 2 days	27/11/2023	25/01/2024	**MABESELE J** Secretary: Ms S Bunting Email: SBunting@judiciary.org.za
11.	2020/3290	PEPKOR RETAIL (PTY) LTD VS BAY TOWER PROPERTIES 153 CC	27/11/2023	24/01/2024	Matter is removed from the trial roll by notice – the action is withdrawn
PART B: ROAD ACCIDENT FUND					

MATTERS REMOVED FROM THE ROLL BY NOTICE					

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.
