IN THE HIGH COURT OF SOUTH AFRICA
GAUTENG LOCAL DIVISION, JOHANNESBURG
THURSDAY 27 FEBRUARY 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 SWANEPOEL J

Video-link BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE VAN ASWEGEN AJ

9F BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE P J DU PLESSIS AJ

8F BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE LEVITT AJ

8E BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE LIVESAGE AJ

8D BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE L DU PLESSIS AJ

UNOPPOSED MOTION

GC BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUGDE ADAMS J

GD BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE YACOOB J

GE BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE NOKO J

SPECIAL MOTION

9A BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE WILSON J

9B BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MAHOMED J

INCOME TAX COURT

BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE CRUTCHFIELD J
(2024/10) (IT46497) (IT77006) (IT46485)

FAMILY COURT

11B BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE E DU PLESSIS J

11C BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE H PRETORIUS AJ

SPECIAL INTERLOCUTORY COURT

GB BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MANOIM J

RAF DEFAULT JUDGMENT COURT

8A BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE WEIDEMAN AJ

8B BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE VAN DE VENTER AJ

CIVIL TRIALS OF LONG DURATION

Video-link BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE SENYATSI J
2015/19708

GA BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE NTLAMA-MAKHANYA AJ
2021/18281

1A BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MANAMELA AJ

GENERAL CIVIL TRIALS

9D BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE DIPPENAAR J

6C BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE DLAMINI J

8C BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE WANLESS J

11A BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MFENYANA J

11E BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MNYATHELI AJ

6B BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MINNAAR AJ

6A BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MATSEMELA 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 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:* ***THURSDAY, 20 FEBRUARY 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					
PART B: ROAD ACCIDENT FUND					
1.	2019/11833	PEANE MAMOSA VS ROAD ACCIDENT FUND Plaintiff: Adv M Ayob Defendant: Ms S Ameersingh Quantum (general damages; past and future loss of earnings) Pre-trial conference: 19 February 2025 Estimated duration: 1 – 2 days (plaintiff's estimate); 2 – 5 days (defendant's estimate) Interpreter to be used	**28/07/2023**	**08/11/2023**	**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 COURT DAY**

2.	2019/2782	MOECA KGAUHELO PAULOS VS ROAD ACCIDENT FUND	**22/08/2023**	**31/08/2023**	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.	2013/38039	MALEHLOHONOLO SARAH MABOTE VS ROAD ACCIDENT FUND Plaintiff: Adv T Ntsewa Defendant: Ms M Madasela Merits and quantum (general damages; loss of earnings; past and future medical expenses) Pre-trial conference: 10 November 2023 Minutes filed: 10 November 2023 Estimated duration: 4 hours Interpreter to be used	**10/11/2023**	**13/11/2023**	**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 COURT DAY**

4.	2023-007851 Court Online	THANDEKA PRUDENCE KAMANGA VS ROAD ACCIDENT FUND Plaintiff: Adv M Muchopa Defendant: Ms M Madasela Quantum (loss of earnings) Estimated duration: 10 minutes	**17/10/2023**	**22/01/2024**	**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.** **<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 COURT DAY**

5.	2019/22102	SELEMATSENG PREVIOUS OBO MINOR VS ROAD ACCIDENT FUND Plaintiff: Mr T Tshilamatanda Estimated duration: 1 – 2 days Quantum	**16/10/2023**	**21/01/2024**	**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.** **<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 COURT DAY**
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.					

LIST OF SETTLED MATTERS WILL BE ALLOCATED TO JUDGES ROSTERED IN THE CIVIL TRIAL COURT

PARTIES SHALL BE NOTIFIED OF ALLOCATIONS BY EMAIL.

LAST DATE TO SUBMIT PRACTICE NOTES: THURSDAY, 20 FEBRUARY 2025

1. **The default mode of hearing of matters is in physical court.**
2. **Even though the default mode of hearing is physical, the judge to whom the matter is allocated may elect to proceed virtually (if there is a valid reason and if prior arrangements have been made.**
3. **Litigants are to confirm the manner in which the hearing will be conducted with the secretary of the judge to whom the matters are allocated.**
4. **In virtual hearings, the link will be created by the secretary of the judge to whom the matters are allocated and circulated to the litigants.**
5. **Should parties remove their matter from the roll, the parties are to email the relevant Judge's Secretary a Notice of Removal timeously and are to upload the Notice to the electronic file**

6.Practitioners who initiated their files on Court Online are to promptly create an online bundle in preparation for the hearing of their matters to avoid removals from the roll and last-minute duplication of matters between the CaseLines and Court Online system. For assistance in that regard, please contact the Court Online Helpdesk Call Centre at 010 493 2600. Also consult the 7-Step Guide.

7.Court Orders should be emailed to the secretary of the judge to whom the matter is allocated in Word format. Please check the details of the parties (particularly the spelling of the names, identity numbers, case numbers). Also, please append the details of counsel (including their email address and cell phone numbers) at the bottom of the court order.

8.Where there is a contingency fee agreement, please have ready the necessary affidavits.

9.Where there is to be a Trust created, please have ready the necessary documents

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PART A: SETTLEMENT ROLL					
1.	2021/54079	ZISWANA NONELE AMELIA VS ROAD ACCIDENT FUND	**04-02-2025**	**05-02-2025**	**MINNAAR AJ** Secretary: Ms T Ndau Email: TNdau@judiciary.org.za Chambers 305, 3rd floor Telephone: 010 494 8446
2.	2021/45921	KHOZA LINDIWE ELLEN VS ROAD ACCIDENT FUND	**04-02-2025**	**05-02-2025**	**MINNAAR AJ** Secretary: Ms T Ndau Email: TNdau@judiciary.org.za Chambers 305, 3rd floor Telephone: 010 494 8446
3.	2020/29843	NKWANE PAMELA obo JUNIOR MORGAN GONTSE NKWANE VS ROAD ACCIDENT FUND	**04-02-2025**	**05-02-2025**	**MATSEMELA AJ** Secretary: Ms M Malatji Email: MMalatji@judiciary.org.za Chambers 803, 8th floor Telephone: 010 494 7122
4.	2016/22660	SWARTLAND GAOLAOLWE EPHRIME VS ROAD ACCIDENT FUND	**04-02-2025**	**05-02-2025**	**MATSEMELA AJ** Secretary: Ms M Malatji Email: MMalatji@judiciary.org.za Chambers 803, 8th floor Telephone: 010 494 7122
5.	2015/19988	CAU SARA FERNANDO VS ROAD ACCIDENT FUND	**04-02-2025**	**05-02-2028**	**MNYATHELI AJ** Secretary: Ms F Leremi Email: FLeremi@judiciary.org.za Chambers 801, 8th Floor Telephone: 010 494 8334

6.	2020/12260	GUGA EMMANUEL VS ROAD ACCIDENT FUND	**04-02-2025**	**05-02-2028**	**MNYATHELI AJ** Secretary: Ms F Leremi Email: FLeremi@judiciary.org.za Chambers 801, 8th Floor Telephone: 010 494 8334
7.	2017/09123	ARTHUR NYATHI VS ROAD ACCIDENT FUND	**04-02-2025**	**05-02-2025**	**MANAMELA AJ** Secretary: Mr M Molele Email: MoMolele@judiciary.org.za Chambers 812, 8th floor Telephone: 010 494 8431