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## Gauteng Division, Pretoria: Practice Manual-Amendment

**TO: All Legal Practitioners**

With effect from 07 October 2019, chapter 13.9 of the Practice Manual dealing with the ENROLMENT OF UNOPPOSED MOTIONS shall be amended in respect of FINAL ENROLMENT as follows:

1. Par 1.11 shall now read as follows:
   "1.11.1 Provisionally enrolled unopposed motions shall be finally enrolled not later than noon on the 15th day prior to the date of hearing".

2. The following paragraphs are inserted:
   "1.11.2 An unopposed motion which has provisionally been enrolled and which is not timeously finally enrolled shall automatically lose its provisional enrolment for a particular date and its provisional enrolment shall be removed/deleted from the provisional register.

   1.11.3 Unopposed motions which have either not been enrolled on the provisional register or which have been provisionally enrolled at some future date may be finally enrolled in the spaces, if any, vacated by provisionally enrolled unopposed motions which have not been timeously finally enrolled as envisages in 1.11.1 and 1.11.2 above. The enrolment of such unopposed applications shall start immediately after the expiry of the period mentioned in 1.11.1 above and shall close noon on the fourth day before date of hearing (i.e. Enrolment on Monday for hearing on the next Monday, Tuesday for the next Tuesday, Wednesday for the next Wednesday and Thursday for the next Thursday).

1.11.4 Save as provided for above, an unopposed motion may not unilaterally be finally enrolled in the stead of another application which has been provisionally enrolled".

**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

Experience has shown that many unopposed motions are only provisionally enrolled but never finally enrolled, leaving a reduced number of matters on any particular unopposed motion court roll.

The unfortunate consequence is a long waiting period for the allocation of dates in the unopposed motion courts Matters which are not timeously finally enrolled (15 days prior to the date of hearing)

will lose their slots on a particular date enabling other matters to be enrolled and enabling the registrar to fill up a particular motion court roll to its capacity and accommodate practitioners and members of the public on earlier dates. Practitioners are also not allowed to "reserve" dates provisionally in one matter and to use this provisional date for the final enrolment of another matter.

Yours faithfully,

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