



HIGH COURT OF SOUTH AFRICA, GAUTENG DIVISION, PRETORIA
FROM THE CHAMBERS OF ACTING JUSTICE MEERSINGH

14 NOVEMBER 2024

TO: ALL LEGAL PRACTITIONERS

DIRECTIVE

**DIRECTIVE FOR DEFAULT JUDGEMENTS TRIAL COURT PROCEEDINGS BEFORE
THE HONOURABLE ACTING JUSTICE MEERSINGH FOR 18 NOVEMBER 2024 TO
22 NOVEMBER 2024**

1. All matters will be heard in open court at 10:00. The court number will be published on the daily roll. Introductions will take place at 09:45 - Room 2:17.
 - Only in exceptional circumstances deemed by the Presiding Judge to be aiding in getting the matter expeditiously disposed of and by prior arrangement with the Judge's Registrar; may a virtual hearing mode, alternatively proposed (and agreed upon by both parties), be resorted to.
2. The CaseLines profile and sections must be sensible and chronologically numbered, so that the relevant sections are on top (the Default Judgment hearing items first).
3. Heads of argument must be uploaded by no later than 14h00 tomorrow (15 November 2024).
4. Practice notes must be in compliance with the directive in respect of default judgment court.
5. The state attorney assigned matter must be identified.
6. Draft orders must reflect A.J Meersingh and the correct parties names, case

number and be undated. One hard copy of the draft order must be available at the hearing of the matter to be handed up. Please make sure there are no typographical errors on the drafts before they are handed up in Court.

7. Actuarial Computations must be uploaded together with expert affidavit.
8. In loss of support matters unabridged birth certificates must be uploaded and the original brought to court.
9. Removals and settlements will be called first. Thereafter other matters will be heard according to the seniority of counsel.
10. Matters that have become settled: A separate profile called SETTLEMENT BUNDLE must be created containing the following:
 - * Offer and acceptance
 - * Confirmation letter in respect of draft order
 - * Draft order
11. In the event of a removal:
 - CREATE A REMOVAL FOLDER AT THE TOP OF THE CASELINES PROFILE,
 - Counsel must give a full explanation for the removal (other matters could have been finalised in its place). Prepare on costs.
 - A draft order must be uploaded and a hard copy of the draft order for removal must be available at the hearing of the matter.
12. In the event of a removal or postponement, the judge's registrar must be informed timeously, in order to inform the judge not to read the papers.
13. All correspondence must be directed to Ms Nomfundo Selokela email address NSelokela@judiciary.org.za.