

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF SOUTH AFRICA
GAUTENG LOCAL DIVISION, JOHANNESBURG
THURSDAY 06TH MARCH 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 WHEN THEY ARE PRESENTED WITH A
VALID REQUEST TO DEVIATE FROM THE DEFAULT MODE**

**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

BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE SUTHERLAND DJP

8E BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE NHAMURAVATE AJ

Video-link BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE ENGELBRECHT AJ

9E BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE F BEZUIDENHOUT AJ

9F BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE DREYER AJ

8F BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE H. VAN DER MERWE AJ

9C BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE J BERGER AJ

UNOPPOSED MOTION

Video-link BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE SIWENDU J

GD BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MANOIM J

GE BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE CRUTCHFIELD J

URGENT APPLICATIONS

9A BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE E DU PLESSIS J

9B BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE LEVITT AJ

SPECIAL MOTION

11A BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE DLAMINI J
2023-022277

INCOME TAX COURT

BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE SENYATSI J
(IT25443)

FAMILY COURT

11B BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MFENYANA J

11C BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MANAMELA AJ

SPECIAL INTERLOCUTORY COURT

GB BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE YACOOB J

RAF DEFAULT JUDGMENT COURT

8B BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MAHOSI J

8A BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE WEIDEMAN AJ

CRIMINAL APPEALS

11F BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MALINDI J
AND BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MAKAMU J
A66/2023 A03/2024 A141/2022

FULL COURT APPEALS – CRIMINAL

4D BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE KUNY J
AND BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MOOSA J
AND BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MKHABELA J
A79/2024

CIVIL TRIAL OF LONG DURATION

GA BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE VAN ASWEGEN AJ
2014/25554

1A BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE P J DU PLESSIS AJ
2021/58672

PART-HEARD CIVIL TRIAL

11A BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE DLAMINI J
2016/28805

GENERAL CIVIL TRIALS

11D BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MABESELE J

11E BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE DIPPENAAR J

8D BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE WILSON J

8C BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE NOKO J

6C BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE WANLESS J

6B BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MAHOMED J

6A BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE NTLAMA-MAKHANYA AJ

9D BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MNYATHELI AJ

BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE S. KRUGER AJ

BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MAKGATE AJ

THE CIVIL TRIAL ROLL BEFORE SUTHERLAND DJP.

THERE SHALL BE NO PHYSICAL TRIAL ROLL CALL.

PARTIES MUST COMPLY STRICTLY WITH THE PROVISIONS OF PARAGRAPH 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, 27 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.	2019/82680	MOSEHLANA ANDRIES MOOMELA VS ROAD ACCIDENT FUND Plaintiff: Mr M Kutama Estimated duration: 90 minutes Merits and quantum (general damages; loss of earnings)	28/08/2023	03/11/2023	
2.	2021/53046	SMITH LIZL N.O OBO RYLAND PATRICK JOHNSON VS ROAD ACCIDENT FUND	04/08/2023	22/08/2023	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.	2014/11649	NDLOVU THANDIWE VS ROAD ACCIDENT FUND	31/05/2023	15/06/2023	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.
4.	2021/11262	VALOYI PHINDILE BEAULAH VS ROAD ACCIDENT FUND Plaintiff: Adv K Maponya Quantum (future medical expenses; general damages; loss of earnings) Estimated duration: 1 – 2 days	08/08/2023	31/08/2023	
5.	2020/30825	MAJAKO MOLEFI CLEMENT VS ROAD ACCIDENT FUND Plaintiff: Adv R Oosthuizen Defendant: Ms S Ameersingh Quantum (loss of earnings; earning capacity) Pre-trial conference: 27 February 2023 Minutes filed: 24 April 2024 Estimated duration: 1 – 2 hours (if argued); 1 – 2 days (if evidence led)	12/07/2023	11/08/2023	

6.	2011/46963	ZIYANDA KHALIPABANJIWE VS PRASA Plaintiff: Mr L Noko Defendant: Mr A Vilakazi Estimated duration: 1 – 2 days Merits and quantum (general damages; past medical expenses; future medical expenses; past and future loss of income)	12/07/2023	04/08/2023	
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 <u>by no later than five (05) court days before the trial date</u> . 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.				