



OFFICE OF THE CHIEF JUSTICE
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

**HIGH COURT OF SOUTH AFRICA, GAUTENG DIVISION, PRETORIA
FROM THE CHAMBERS OF HONOURABLE JUSTICE EDWARDS AJ
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02 APRIL 2025

TO: ALL LEGAL PRACTITIONERS

**DIRECTIVE FOR DEFAULT JUDGMENT ROLL COMMENCING THE WEEK OF
THE 7th TO 11th OF APRIL 2025 BEFORE HONOURABLE JUSTICE EDWARDS AJ**

1. Introductions will take place **at 09h30 in room 25, the Palace.**
2. Matters will be heard **in open court** commencing at 10:00. The Court in which the matters will be heard will appear on the Day Roll.
3. All documents are to be uploaded to Caselines by **no later than 12h00, two days preceding the hearing** of the matter, i.e.:
 - 3.1. Allowance will be made for matters to be heard on Monday the 7th – no later than 12h00 Friday the 3rd of April;
 - 3.2. Matters to be heard on Tuesday the 8th – no later than 12h00, Friday the 4th of April;
 - 3.3. Matters to be heard on Wednesday the 9th - no later than Monday the 7th of April; and the like for the remainder of the week.
4. Failure to comply with this mandatory directive may result in the matter being removed or struck from the roll.

5. Where practically possible it would be preferred if hard copies of heads of argument can be delivered to Ms. Thembisile Dlamini in Room 25, the Palace. Where not, succinct Heads of Argument must be uploaded to Caselines under a separate folder (see para 3 above).
6. Where matters have **already become defended or settled prior to the hearing**, the parties are to inform the Judge's registrar of this fact immediately by e-mail (DlaminiT@judiciary.org.za), thereafter, upload a draft order, and bring a hard copy of the draft order to court should they wish the matter to be removed. This will avoid unnecessary perusal and preparation.
7. The removal and settlement of matters will be heard at the calling of the roll; whereafter matters will be heard in order of seniority.
8. One hard copy of the draft order is to be handed up on the day of hearing. Parties are to ensure that the case details, courtroom, and Acting Judges details are correct on the draft order.
9. The details of a representative from the State Attorney or claims handler (where not defended) and the link number must be contained on the last page of the draft order.