

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF SOUTH AFRICA
GAUTENG LOCAL DIVISION, JOHANNESBURG
MONDAY 31ST AUGUST 2026**

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 STRYDOM J

Video-link BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE SENYATSI J

9F BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MAHOMED J

Video-link BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE GOODENOUGH AJ

8F BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MAKGATE AJ

INSOLVENCY COURT

11D BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE CRUTCHFIELD J

11E BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE SCHÄFER AJ

SUMMARY JUDGMENT COURT

1A BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE ADAMS J

GA BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE DU PLESSIS J

UNOPPOSED MOTION

GC BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MUDAU J

GD BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE TWALA J

GE BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE FISHER J

URGENT APPLICATIONS

9A BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MALINDI J

9B BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE DLAMINI J

Video-link BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE H VAN NIEUWENHUIZEN AJ

SPECIAL MOTION

11A BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MPHAPLANE AJ
2025-049963

COMMERCIAL COURT

BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE WILSON J
2023-048520 2023-037126

INCOME TAX COURT

BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MOULTRIE J
(IT77034)

FAMILY COURT

11B BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE OPPERMAN J

11C BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE LIEBENBERG AJ

SPECIAL INTERLOCUTORY COURT

GB BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MOTHA J

11F BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE WENTZEL-THOMPSON J

RAF DEFAULT JUDGMENT COURT

8A BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MATABOGE AJ

8B BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE RYNEVELDT AJ

FULL COURT APPEALS: CRIMINAL

Palm Ridge BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MOOSA J
AND BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE NOKO J
AND BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MFENYANA J
A19/2025

CRIMINAL APPEALS

4E BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE KUNY J
AND BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE JOHNSON AJ
A2025-205297 2025-016122

CIVIL TRIAL OF LONG DURATION

6E BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE VAN ASWEGEN AJ
2021/37220

GENERAL CIVIL TRIALS

BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE WRIGHT J

6A BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE DIPPENAAR J

6B BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MDALANA-MAYISELA J

2A BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MAHOSI J

2B BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE NDLOKOVANE AJ

2C BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE M. VAN NIEUWENHUIZEN AJ

2F BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE KAKAZA AJ

THE CIVIL TRIAL ROLL BEFORE MODIBA ADJP

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)

LITIGANTS' ATTENTION IS DRAWN TO PARAGRAPHS 16 – 19 OF THE MEDIATION DIRECTIVE WHICH CAME INTO EFFECT ON 22 APRIL 2025 AS AMENDED ON 27 OCTOBER 2025

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: MONDAY, 24 AUGUST 2026*

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					
1.	2021/37220	ADV S NATHAN SC obo MBALI TSHABALALA VS NETCARE HOSPITALS (PTY) LTD t/a NETCARE N17 HOSPITAL AND OTHERS	20/06/2024	20/06/2024	Trial of Long Duration allocated to VAN ASWEGEN AJ
2.	2018/34542	NORMAN ANDREW VS FAME BRIGHT TRADE AND INVEST 1032 CC	17/07/2024	25/07/2024	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. No mediation report (annexure "D1") and Joint Minutes (annexure "D2") as set out in the Mediation Directive and Mediation Protocol of 22 April 2025 has been uploaded to the electronic file – Matter is struck off from the trial roll.

3.	2009/37167	GONDO SECURITY SERVICES VS TRANSNET SOC LIMITED	23/07/2024	15/08/2024	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. No mediation report (annexure "D1") and Joint Minutes (annexure "D2") as set out in the Mediation Directive and Mediation Protocol of 22 April 2025 has been uploaded to the electronic file – Matter is struck off from the trial roll.
4.	2015/27194	NEDBANK LIMITED VS SMITH MOEGAMAT SHAAFIE AND OTHER	16/07/2024	25/07/2024	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. No mediation report (annexure "D1") and Joint Minutes (annexure "D2") as set out in the Mediation Directive and Mediation Protocol of 22 April 2025 has been uploaded to the electronic file – Matter is struck off from the trial roll.

5.	2019/18960	SITHOLE YVONNE BRIDGET VS MTHETHELELI GLADMAN MALI	16/07/2024	25/07/2024	Matter is removed from the trial roll by notice
6.	2018/41584	SEBEGO MAKIE ROSELINAH obo SEBEGO ZANDILE RUBY VS MEC FOR HEALTH Plaintiff: N Radebe Defendant: Adv T Mokadikoa Medical negligence Minor child is deceased – after close of pleadings and after liability was adjudicated with the defendant being found 100% liable for plaintiff's proven or agreed damages Issue to determine: general damages Estimated duration: 2 – 3 days Interpreter to be used	07/05/2026	29/05/2026	DIPPENAAR J Secretary: Ms J Blake Email: JBlake@judiciary.org.za

7.	2024/137935	LEANNE SUE POWER VS RICHARD STEVEN POWER Plaintiff: Adv M Nowitz Defendant: Adv G Olwagen-Meyer Divorce (payment of accrual; primary residency of minor children; parental rights and responsibilities, guardianship of minor children; maintenance towards minor children; recovery of excess medical expenses) Application for contribution towards costs for the commencement of the trial Estimated duration: 4 – 5 days Request for virtual hearing – plaintiff and her counsel reside in other provinces, defendant is wheelchair bound	19/06/2026	19/06/2026	MDALANA-MAYISELA J Secretary: Ms A Mshayisa Email: AMshayisa@judiciary.org.za
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8.	2020/4106	MARIANNE RICHARDS N.O THE PAULING FAMILY TRUST AND OTHER VS RAMSAY WEBBER INC Plaintiff: Adv L van Tonder Defendant: Adv M Sethaba Professional negligence claim by plaintiffs for payment of damages suffered by them as a result from an alleged negligent failure by the defendant as attorneys to register a notarial bond over movable assets of the company known as John Risely & Sons (Pty) Ltd as security for the loan advanced by the plaintiff to John Risely and Sons (Pty) Ltd which was liquidated. Issues to determine: Special plea: Interpretation of clause 11 of the Deed of Trust Existence of mandate between plaintiffs and defendants and the terms thereof Whether the defendant breached the alleged mandate Whether the alleged breach of mandate was the factual and legal cause of the damages suffered by the plaintiffs Quantum: amount of damages suffered by the plaintiffs Pre-trial conference: 07 April 2026 Minutes filed: 17 May 2026	18/05/2026	24/06/2026	MAHOSI J Secretary: Ms N Makgalefa Email: NMakgalefa@judiciary.org.za
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9.	2023/037369	LEXUS SECURITY (PTY) LTD VS PLANET FITNESS BENONI Plaintiff: Adv C Erasmus Plaintiff claim unpaid invoices from the defendant for security services rendered to the defendant in terms of an oral agreement concluded between the parties The Defendant denies the authority of its employee, Peter Pawson, to act on behalf of the Defendant and also that an agreement came into existence. The Defendant also raised prescription in the form of a special plea. The Plaintiff denies that the claim prescribed and dealt with the same in its replication. The Plaintiff raised estoppel, for the following reasons regarding Peter Pawson: Defendant represented to the Plaintiff that Peter Pawson was authorised to act as its agent and/or representative; Acting on the belief of the correctness of this representation, the Plaintiff was induced, to its detriment, to deal with Peter Pawson, acting ostensibly as the agent and/or representative of the Defendant. Merits and quantum Pre-trial conference: 23 August 2024	22/05/2026	24/06/2026	VAN ASWEGEN AJ Secretary: Ms D Mthiyane Email: DSereko@judiciary.org.za
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		Estimated duration: 5 days Application for consolidation with matter under case number 2023-037363 (which appeared on the trial roll of 17 August 2026 – the matter was removed by notice)			
10.	2021/29100	NDLOU-NDLOVU RESTA MASHUDU VS NDLOVU ELLIOT	18/06/2026	07/07/2026	Matter is removed from the trial roll by notice

11.	2024/041102	LETHABO LETTIE MAUNATLALA VS SOUTH AFRICAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION Plaintiff: Adv L A Mokone and Adv B Socikwa Defendant: Adv K Tsatsawane SC and Adv R Naidoo An action for damages resulting from the acts of sexual harassment suffered by the plaintiff when she was employed by the defendant in 2007. The plaintiff suffered emotional breakdown as a result of the various acts of sexual harassment and eventually, she resigned from work. Following several complaints from the defendant's employees regarding acts of sexual harassment, the defendant established an Independent Commission of Inquiry into the various allegations of sexual harassment. Several victims had reported the allegations to the SABC(defendant's) management. The parties are in disagreement about the nature of the matter. The Independent Inquiry established that the plaintiff suffered from the various acts of sexual harassment at the hands of her direct line manager. The impact of the sexual harassment was debilitating, not only for the	12/06/2026	01/07/2026	M VAN NIEUWENHUIZEN AJ Secretary: Ms M Tsotetsi Email: MTsotetsi@judiciary.org.za
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		plaintiff but for her husband, who also happened to be an employee of the defendant. Her husband resigned from work. From thereon the plaintiff and husband experienced serious financial difficulties culminating in their divorce. The SABC Board accepted the findings and the recommendations of the Independent Board of Inquiry and ordered the implementation of same. The Independent Inquiry recommended: That the plaintiff's erstwhile line manager be subjected to a disciplinary hearing. This was done and he was subsequently dismissed. Secondly, the inquiry recommended redress and compensation for the plaintiff. In seeking to implement this recommendation, the SABC subjected the plaintiff to medical assessments by various medical experts and they produced the reports confirming the extent of the psychological impact on the plaintiff. The defendant paid for the experts' professional fees and/or the victim impact assessment reports. Furthermore, the defendant caused the actuarial calculations to be made by the plaintiff's erstwhile legal representatives. Immediately after obtaining the actuarial calculations as			
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		requested by the defendant, the defendant started to ignore the plaintiff in every form, including all her telephone calls and email follow ups Special plea of prescription and res judicata Merits and quantum Separation of issues – hearing of special plea Pre-trial conference: 13 September 2024 Minutes filed: 24 October 2024 Estimated duration: 3 – 4 days			
12.	2022/2832	SSG SECURITY SOLUTIONS (PTY) VS SUSAN STANLEY AND OTHERS	19/07/2024	30/07/2024	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. No mediation report (annexure “D1”) and Joint Minutes (annexure “D2”) as set out in the Mediation Directive and Mediation Protocol of 22 April 2025 has been uploaded to the electronic file – Matter is struck off from the trial roll.

13.	2024/001883	MNSQWARANE MAMOKETE obo MNSWARANE THAPELO VS MEC FOR HEALTH Plaintiff: Adv D Brown Defendant: Adv T Seboko SC Medical negligence Merits Pre-trial conference: 01 August 2025; 14 July 2026 Estimated duration; 4 – 5 days Interpreter to be used	30/04/2026	01/07/2026	KAKAZA AJ Secretary: Ms T Mlangeni Email: TMlangeni@judiciary.org.za
PART B: ROAD ACCIDENT FUND					
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.					
1. 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.					
2. 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.					
3. 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.					
Last-minute enquiries will not be accommodated.					

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