

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF SOUTH AFRICA
GAUTENG LOCAL DIVISION, JOHANNESBURG
TUESDAY 02ND JUNE 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

Video-link BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MAIER-FRAWLEY J

Video-link BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE CRUTCHFIELD J

9F BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE S VAN NIEUWENHUIZEN AJ

8F BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE A BOTHA AJ

11C BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE KATZEW AJ

INSOLVENCY COURT

11D BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MAHOSI J

Video-link BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE C BESTER AJ

SUMMARY JUDGMENT COURT

1A BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE NOKO J

GA BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MVUBU AJ

UNOPPOSED MOTION

GC BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE FISHER J

GD BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE ADAMS J

GE BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE NAIDOO AJ

URGENT APPLICATIONS

9A BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MOULTRIE J

9B BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE WENTZEL J

INCOME TAX COURT

BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE WILSON J

FAMILY COURT

11B BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MOTHA J

Video-link BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE M VAN NIEUWENHUIZEN AJ

SPECIAL INTERLOCUTORY COURT

GB BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE WRIGHT J

8B BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE TEBEILE AJ

RAF DEFAULT JUDGMENT COURT

8A BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE DE LIMA JORGE AJ

Video-link BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MOGOTSI AJ

FULL COURT APPEALS: CIVIL

11F BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MUDAU J
AND BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MANOIM J
AND BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE WANLESS J
A2024-001253

CIVIL APPEALS

11A BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE DU PLESSIS J
AND BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE LIEBENBERG AJ
A2025-053681 A2025-025284

INQUEST

2D BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MFENYANA J

COMMERCIAL COURT

2B BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE SENYATSI J
2020/26751

PART-HEARD CIVIL TRIAL

2A BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MOOSA J
2012/23697

GENERAL CIVIL TRIALS

9C BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE MAHOMED J

6B BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE VAN ASWEGEN AJ

6E BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUDGE COMBRINK 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: **TUESDAY, 26 MAY 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.	2023-046413	MATJILE LESEGO SINNA VS ROAD ACCIDENT FUND Plaintiff: Mr K G Sadiki Defendant: Mr M Madasele Quantum (general damages; future medical expenses) Pre-trial conference: 23 October 2023 Estimated duration: 1 – 2 days	12/12/2025	30/03/2026	COMBRINK AJ Secretary: Ms P Magana Email: PMagana@judiciary.org.za Telephone: 010 494 8543 Chambers 909, 9 th Floor

2.	2015/32588	SALVATORE CARMINE PUGLIA N.O VS MINISTER OF JUSTICE AND CONSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND 2 OTHERS Plaintiff: Adv K Howard Defendant: Adv M Rasivhetshele Delictual claim – plaintiff alleges that a person appointed by the defendant as executor of a deceased estate ought not to have been appointed; plaintiff alleges that the executor stole funds from the deceased estate; plaintiff contends that he ought to have appointed executor of the estate Pre-trial conference: 30 January 2026 Minutes filed: 10 February 2026 Estimated duration: 3 days	24/03/2026	09/04/2026	MATTER STANDS TO BE ALLOCATED. THE ALLOCATION WILL OCCUR AS SOON AS A JUDGE BECOMES AVAILABLE. THE PARTIES WILL BE NOTIFIED PER E-MAIL WHEN THE ALLOCATION OCCURS. <u>MATTERS CROWDED OUT:</u> IF ANY MATTER RIPE FOR TRIAL CANNOT BE ALLOCATED TO A JUDGE, THE MATTER SHALL STAND OVER UNTIL THE NEXT COURT DAY
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3.	2018/27561	SIEGART ERNST DUVEL VS MINISTER OF POLICE AND 4 OTHERS Plaintiff: Adv W F Wannenburg Arrest, detention, malicious prosecution Estimated duration: 2 – 3 days	24/03/2026	09/04/2026	MATTER STANDS TO BE ALLOCATED. THE ALLOCATION WILL OCCUR AS SOON AS A JUDGE BECOMES AVAILABLE. THE PARTIES WILL BE NOTIFIED PER E-MAIL WHEN THE ALLOCATION OCCURS. <u>MATTERS CROWDED OUT:</u> IF ANY MATTER RIPE FOR TRIAL CANNOT BE ALLOCATED TO A JUDGE, THE MATTER SHALL STAND OVER UNTIL THE NEXT COURT DAY
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4.	2014/16646	THEMBA MTHEMTHWA VS MINISTER OF POLICE AND OTHER Plaintiff: Adv L Maphelela Defendant: Mr J Selamolela Arrest, detention Quantum (general damages; loss of earnings) Estimated duration: 1 day	01/09/2025	05/09/2025	MATTER STANDS TO BE ALLOCATED. THE ALLOCATION WILL OCCUR AS SOON AS A JUDGE BECOMES AVAILABLE. THE PARTIES WILL BE NOTIFIED PER E-MAIL WHEN THE ALLOCATION OCCURS. <u>MATTERS CROWDED OUT:</u> IF ANY MATTER RIPE FOR TRIAL CANNOT BE ALLOCATED TO A JUDGE, THE MATTER SHALL STAND OVER UNTIL THE NEXT COURT DAY
5.	2015/12672	MTHETHWA ZANELE CYNTHIA VS ROAD ACCIDENT FUND Plaintiff: Adv J Maisela Defendant: Mr L Klaas Quantum (future loss of earnings) Estimated duration: 1 day	05/02/2026	13/04/2026	COMBRINK AJ Secretary: Ms P Magana Email: PMagana@judiciary.org.za Telephone: 010 494 8543 Chambers 909, 9 th Floor

6.	2014/12823	DR MUHAMMED FAROOQ AND 2 OTHERS VS MINISTER OF POLICE AND ANOTHER Plaintiff: Adv W Davel Defendant: Mr C Jossie Arrest, detention, malicious prosecution Merits and quantum Pre-trial conference: 24 May 2023 Minutes filed: 13 October 2023 Estimated duration: 1 - 2 days	24/03/2026	13/04/2026	MATTER STANDS TO BE ALLOCATED. THE ALLOCATION WILL OCCUR AS SOON AS A JUDGE BECOMES AVAILABLE. THE PARTIES WILL BE NOTIFIED PER E-MAIL WHEN THE ALLOCATION OCCURS. <u>MATTERS CROWDED OUT:</u> IF ANY MATTER RIPE FOR TRIAL CANNOT BE ALLOCATED TO A JUDGE, THE MATTER SHALL STAND OVER UNTIL THE NEXT COURT DAY
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7.	2020/39688	NATASHA PAULSEN VS MINISTER OF POLICE AND 3 OTHERS Plaintiff: Adv M Bouwer Defendant: Adv S Magaqa Arrest, detention, malicious prosecution Pre-trial conference: 18 September 2024 Estimated duration: 2 – 3 days Interpreter to be used	28/11/2025	13/04/2026	MATTER STANDS TO BE ALLOCATED. THE ALLOCATION WILL OCCUR AS SOON AS A JUDGE BECOMES AVAILABLE. THE PARTIES WILL BE NOTIFIED PER E-MAIL WHEN THE ALLOCATION OCCURS. <u>MATTERS CROWDED OUT:</u> IF ANY MATTER RIPE FOR TRIAL CANNOT BE ALLOCATED TO A JUDGE, THE MATTER SHALL STAND OVER UNTIL THE NEXT COURT DAY
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.
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 by no later than five (05) court days before the trial date. 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.

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