



**REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA**  
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30 JANUARY 2025

## **PRACTICE DIRECTIVE URGENT COURT WEEK**

### **1-7 FEBRUARY 2025**

Dear Advocate/Sir/Madam

### **URGENT COURT CORAM: STRIJDOM J, MOSHOANA J AND YENDE AJ**

1. There will be no roll-call on Monday, 3 FEBRUARY 2025. OPEN COURT hearings will start on Tuesday, 4 FEBRUARY 2025 at 10:00 in accordance with the allocation roll that will be distributed. Legal practitioners are urged to be at court at 10:00 and make sure that they hand up draft orders that has got no typographical errors on them.

**PROCEEDINGS WILL BE HELD IN OPEN COURT AT 10H00 (COURT ROOMS WILL BE DISPLAYED ON THE DAILY ROLL)**

2. An allocation does NOT mean that the matter is considered sufficiently urgent to be heard on the merits. Submissions will need to be made regarding the grounds of urgency.
3. All cases MUST be created on Court onLine and linked to Case lines so that the matters appear and are accessible to the Court on Caselines. Therefore, all necessary documents must be available on the Caselines platform. If any problems are experienced, the judge's registrar must be contacted TIMEOUSLY.



4. A practice note must be filed setting out the following:
  - 4.1 The grounds for urgency and where it appears in the founding affidavit;
  - 4.2 Nature of relief sought;
  - 4.3 Total number of pages;
  - 4.4 An indication which portion of the papers must be read and which not;
  - 4.5 The estimated duration of the matter;
  - 4.6 If there is non-compliance with the updated the practice directives for urgent court, the reasons for such deviation;
  - 4.7 Contact details for both legal practitioners (counsel and attorney of record), which must include both cell phone numbers and email addresses.
5. Where no certificate of urgency has been filed and/or no practice note has been filed the matter will be struck from the roll unless good cause is shown for non-compliance as per the issued directive.
6. Please also note that the master bundle must be properly indexed and paginated and uploaded. Each document must be individually identified in the master bundle, including annexures. If not, it will result in your matter being struck from the roll. This must be attended to before 16h00 Friday 31 JANUARY 2025.
7. The profiles on Caselines will be frozen at 16h00 on Friday, 31 JANUARY 2025. No piecemeal filing of affidavits will be allowed.
8. In all opposed matters, heads of argument must be filed by both parties.
9. It remains the applicant's responsibility to report the return date to the Registrar's office after the matter has been finalised.
10. In the event that a new application, after hours or during court hours, is instituted, the instructing attorney or counsel must contact the secretary of Judge Strijdom, Ms Belinda Harris via email [bharris@judiciary.org.za](mailto:bharris@judiciary.org.za) OR urgent phone to ascertain which Judge the application will be allocated to. Such applications must include a practice note, the notice of motion and a commissioned founding affidavit for consideration for the matter to be enrolled. This must be done before the matter is created on Court onLine and issued with a case number. The practice note must adhere to paragraph 4 above. In this regard the provisions of sub-paragraphs 7.1 to 7.4 of chapter 13.24 of the Practice Manual will apply *mutatis mutandis*.



11. Separate directives **might** be distributed by Judge Moshwana and Judge Yende AJ, kindly confirm with their secretaries Ms L McKenzie and Mr P Dithipe should this be the case.

Yours faithfully

**(ELECTRONICALLY GENERATED; NOT SIGNED)**

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